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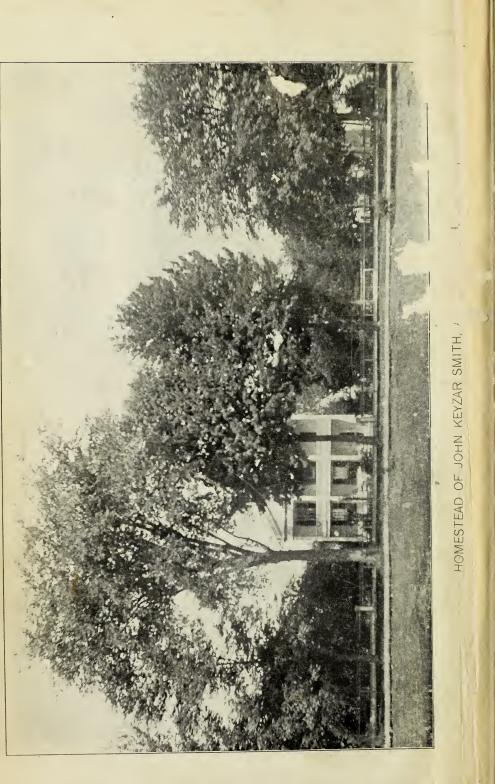




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Records of the

GRISWOLD, CRANE, PADDOCK, HOWES, SMITH AND RUSSELL FAMILIES.

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SARAH CRANE SMITH RUSSELL.

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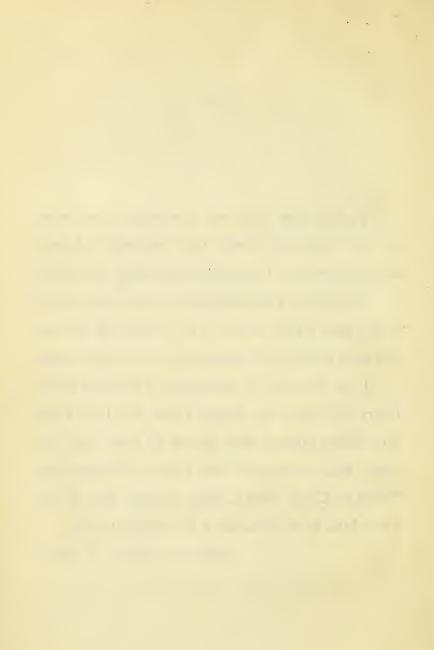
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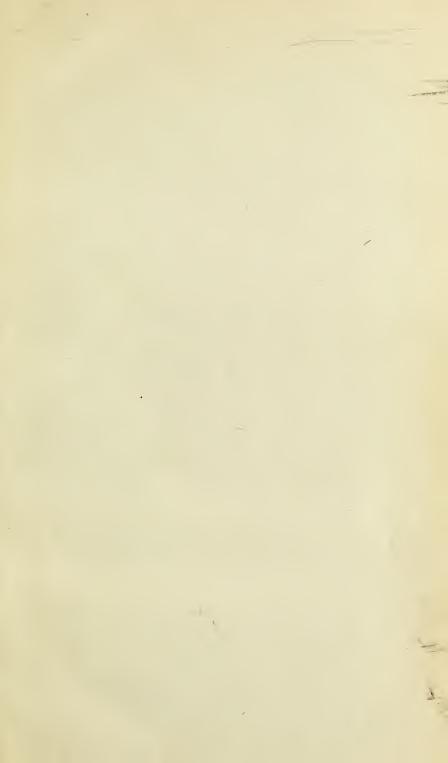
Feeling sure (from my knowledge of my mother and her immediate family) that the family had *ancestors of importance*, I decided to investigate the subject.

The records I have been able to procure are placed in this book for the benefit of the family, with the hope that each member will *continue* his or her family record.

I am indebted for assistance in the work to Mr. Ellery B. Crane, Mr. Gerard Crane, Mr. L. S. Knox, Mrs. Milton Haxtun, Mrs. Nathan G. Pond, Miss Jane Smith, Miss Anna Smith, Miss Frances G. Smith, Miss Carrie M. Crane, Miss L. Belle Hamlin, Miss A. Julia Reed, Mrs. E. B. Hinsdale, Rev. Horatio Gates.

ANNA RUSSELL VANCE.







GRISWOLD.

CHAPTER I.

GRISWOLDS.

[From Kenilworth Records, England.]

I.-1. FRANCIS GRISWOLD, of England.

- II.—2. GEORGE GRISWOLD (Son of Francis Griswold), of Kenilworth, England, was baptized April 28, 1548. Two sons:
 - 3. Edward.
 - 4. Matthew.

[From Stiles' History of Windsor, Conn.]

EDWARD and MATTHEW GRISWOLD came from Kenilworth, County Warwick, England, in the year 1639, in company with Rev. Mr. Huit's party, who came to Windsor, Ct., that year. They had lived at Kenilworth and owned property there. They had a brother Thomas, who continued to reside there, and the record of his marriage in 1634 is still to be found in the old Kenilworth records, also the baptisms of several of the children of Edward, and the burial of a daughter; but the old church records of Kenilworth suffered so greatly from the ravages of the war of the Great Rebellion, it has been found impossible to find any other connecting links between that parish , and the two emigrant brothers. It has been claimed, though not proved, that they belong to the ancient family of Solihull, near Kenilworth, and as such entitled to the use of the family arms. Whatever their local antecedents and connections in England, it is certain that the emigrant brothers Griswold were men of education and property; and after their arrival in the new colony were styled "Mr.," which was then equivalent to "gentleman," as distinguised from yeoman or tradesman.

Both brothers, though young when they came to this country (Edward being then 32 and Matthew 19 years old), speedily allied themselves with the best social element of Windsor, took positions of commanding influence, and quickly became prominent in colonial affairs. Besides, if it be a principle of heredity that the characteristics, physical, intellectual, moral and social of a strongly marked ancestor are repeated in his descendants, so that from the offspring may be inferred what was the progenitor, then, apart from all we know of the first generation of the Griswolds of New England, the qualities developed by succeeding generations of the family have been an accumulating proof that its emigrant ancestors were high-minded, intelligent Christian gentlemen.

III.-3. Edward, born in England about 1607, married (first) 1630, in England, Margaret — , who died August 23d, 1670. Her gravestone, in-scribed "M. G., 1670," is known as the oldest monument in Congregational graveyard, Clinton, (formerly Killingworth) Ct. He married (second) 1672-3 Sarah (widow of James) Bemis, of New London. Mr. Edward Griswold came to America at the time of the second visit of Mr. George Fenwick, at which date also came a large number of new settlers to the Connecticut settlement. It was at a time when many of the gentry of England, and wealthy persons connected with the Warwick patent, were intending removal hither, but the breaking out of the Scotch rebellion compelled King Charles to call a Parliament, and they stayed at home to carry out their struggle with the King and Archbishop Laud. Mr. Griswold undoubtedly came in the interest of some of these patentees. He was attorney for Mr. St. Nicholas, of Warwickshire, who had a house built in Windsor, and also a tract of land impaled (fenced), as had Sir Richard Saltonstall. The Rev. Ephraim Huit, who came also in 1639, was from the same parish, as also the Wyllys family, who settled in Hartford. His first location in Windsor is not known; but

he had a grant of land in Poquonock, to which he removed in 1649, accompanied by a few families, who there found an "outpost" settlement. His residence at Poquonock was on the site of the present dwelling of the heirs of the late Eliphalet S. Ladd, who, on the female side, are Griswold descendants. The spot is a beautiful knoll which overlooks the brook on the west, and the Tunxis River on the south and east. As soon as he had fairly established his home he began to take that active part in public matters which was natural to a man of his character. In 1650 he built the "Old Fort" at Springfield for Mr. Pyncheon. In 1656 he was a deputy from Windsor to the General Court, and continued, with the exception of one session, to represent the town until the reception of the charter from King Charles. At this time he was the principal promoter of a new settlement authorized by the Court, called Hommonoscett, which lay immediately west of Saybrook, Ct., and to which, about 1663, he removed with his younger children, deeding to his sons, George and Joseph, who remained behind, his Windsor lands, reserving a small life annuity therefrom. The settlement was organized as a town in 1667, and received, probably from him, the name of his old English home, "Kenilworth," afterwards corrupted to Killingworth, and now known as Clinton. He was the first deputy from Killingworth, and continued to be its magistrate and representative for more than twenty years-1662-1678-'89-and was succeeded by his son John. The Colonial Records show him to have been a very active, influential member of the legislature -prominently one of those men who, in the first half century, did so much to make the small colony of Connecticut so important a factor in American As a member of Sessions he had the pleasaffairs. ure of meeting his brother Matthew, and his own son Francis; and there has since that time rarely been an Assembly of Connecticut in which some of their lineal discendants have not been members. He was frequently a Commissioner, and in

1678 was on a committee for establishing a Latin School in New London, and was first deacon of Killingworth church. He died at Killingworth, it is said, in 1691, in eighty-fourth year.

Children, all by first wife. (Kenilworth, England, Records.):

- 5. Sarah, b. in 1631.
- 6. George, b. in 1633.
- 7. FRANCIS, b. in 1635.
- 8. Liddia, b. in 1637.
- Sarah, b. in 1638, m. first, Nov. 10, 1650, Samuel Phelps, son of William; m. second, July 21, 1670, Nathaniel Pinney, son of Humphrey.
- 10. Ann, b. in Windsor; baptized June 19, 1642.
- Mary, b. in Windsor; baptized Oct. 13, 1644; m. March 19, 1661, Timothy Phelps, son Wm., Sen.
- 12. Deborah, b. in Windsor; baptized June 28, 1646; m. Samuel Buel; lived in Killingworth.
- 13. Joseph, b. March 13, 1647.
- 14. Samuel, b. Nov. 18, 1649; d. July 6, 1672.
- 15. John, b. Aug. 1, 1652.

The six last children's births are from old Church Records and Colonial Records.

- IV.—7. FRANCIS GRISWOLD, son of Edward, was made a freeman, 1657, and before his father left Windsor he had removed to Saybrook and thence to Norwich, Conn., of which he was a first proprietor and an active citizen, and which town he represented in General Court from 1661, inclusive, to 1671. He died October, 1671. His wife's name is unknown. Children:
 - Sarah, b. March 28, 1653; m. Robert Chapman, of Saybrook, 1670; d. April, 1692; had nine children.
 - 17. Joseph, b. June 4, 1655; d. the last of July, 1655.
 - Mary, b. Aug. 26, 1656; m., first, Jonathan Tracy, July 11, 1672; and, second, Eleazer Jewett, Sept. 3, 1717; d. Sept. 18. 1723.
 - 19. Hannah, b. Dec. 11, 1660 (?); m. Wm. Clark, of Saybrook, March 7, 1677-'8.

- 20. DEBORAH, b. May, 1661; m. *Jonathan Crane*, Dec. 19, 1678.
- 21. Lydia, b. June, 1663; d. 1664.
- 22, Samuel, b. Sept. 16, 1665.
- 23. Margaret, b. Oct., 1668; m. Thomas Buckington (son of Rev. Thomas), of Saybrook, Dec. 16, 1691.
- 24. Lydia, b. October, 1671.

Edward Griswold.

"Colonial Record, Conn.," 1636-1665: Deputy, page 378; Grand Juror, page 379.

Colonial Record, Conn., 1678-1689: Deputy for Killingworth 21 times, pages 3-254; Commissioner 9 times, pages 5-230.

FRANCIS GRISWOLD.

"*Colonial Record*, Conn.," 1665–1667: Deputy to General Session, page 14.

Confirmed Lieut. to "Ye Trained Band at Norridge," page 49.

CHAPTER II.

CRANE FAMILY.

[Crane Genealogy.]

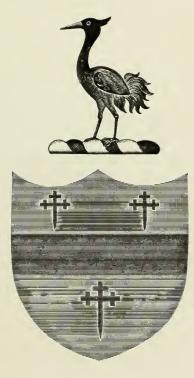
- I.-1. JOHN CRANE came from Suffolk County, England. 1637, John was living at Muddy Brook (now Brookline, Mass.). 1642, is recorded as having land in Roxbury. 1649, his name appears as "Deputy to Great General Court." He had two sons:
 - 2. BENJAMIN.
 - 3. Henry.

[New Haven Colonial Records, Vol. II.]

II.—2. BENJAMIN, of Wethersfield, in 1662, was one of the petitioners to set out a plantation in Wapaquasset County, (in and about what is known as Woodstock, Conn.) Henry and Benjamin (brothers) engaged in the tannery business in Wethersfield as early as 1665, or earlier. Born about 1630. Married Mary Backus 1655. (Old houses of the ancient town of Norwich, 1600-1800, p. 414.) Benjamin Crane's son Jonathan took charge of Benjamin's business after his death and settled (with the aid of his uncle Henry) the estate.

4. JONATHAN CRANE, b. Dec. 21, 1658.

III.—4. JONATHAN CRANE, of Windham, Conn., son of Benjamin, of Wethersfield, was Deputy in Colonial Assembly 1703-5-6-8-9-10-11-13-14-17-18-21-22; Ensign in Train Band 1695, at Windham, Conn.; Lieutenant 1703. Born in Wethersfield, Conn., December 21, 1658; married to Deborah Griswold, daughter of Francis Griswold, of Windsor, Conn., December 19, 1678, at Norwich,



CRANE.



Conn. Was for several years Deputy to the General Court at Hartford, Conn. Five children:

- 5. Sarah, b. Nov. 16. 1680.
- 6. Jonathan, b. Feb. 2, 1684.
- 7. John, b. Oct. 1, 1687.
- 8. Mary, b. Oct. 20, 1689. (Norwich Records.)
- 9. JOSEPH, b. May 17, 1696. (Windham Records.)

[Judge Crane's Family Record.]

IV.—9. JOSEPH CRANE, son of Jonathan Crane and Deborah Griswold Crane, and father of Colonel Thaddeus Crane, was born at Windham, Conn., May 17, 1696, died August 20, 1781. Married to Mary Couch, daughter of Capt. Samuel Couch, of Fairfield, Conn. Mary Couch was born December 15, 1695, died January 9, 1766. Joseph Crane went to live at Southeast Putnam County, N. Y., about 1730. Settled on the north side of Joe's Hill, one and a half miles east of Sodom Corners, where he built the mill known in early times as the "Crane's Mill."

The children of Joseph Crane and Mary Couch are:

- 10. Zebulon, b. Jan. 25, 1721; d. Jan. 24, 1789.
- 11. Joseph, b. Oct. 2, 1722; d. Oct. 14, 1800 (Judge).
- 12. Mary, b. May 30, 1726; d. March 17, 1805.
- 13. THADDEUS, b. March 27, 1728; d. Sept. 1, 1803 (Colonel).
- 14. Abigail, b. April 3, 1730; d. Sept. 30, 1806.
- 15. Anna, b. April 12, 1732; d. March 25, 1805,
- 16. Stephen, b. May 19, 1734; d. May 10, 1814 (Captain).
- 17. Ada, b. Oct. 25, 1736; d. April 18, 1810.
- V.—13. THADDEUS CRANE, son of Joseph and grandson of Jonathan Crane, was born at North Salem, New York, March 28, 1728; died at North Salem, September 3, 1803. Married to Sarah Paddock (daughter of Peter Paddock of Southeast Putnam County, N. Y.), Feb. 24, 1751. Married to Lydia Reed (widow of John Baxter) in 1779, January

13th. Thaddeus Crane was Colonel in the Revolutionary War, and was wounded at the battle of Ridgefield, Conn. His sword is now at the home of his son Thaddeus Crane at North Salem, N. Y. He was Captain of the Westchester Militia under Colonel Thomas Thomas, commissioned in 1775; afterwards Second Major. He was Lieutenant-Colonel in 1779. Col. Thaddeus Crane, from Westchester, was delegate in the New York State Constitutional Convention in 1788, and voted for the Constitution which was adopted. He was delegate in the New York Legislature in 1777–8–9. He was a member of the New York Assembly (the Provincial Congress) in 1777–9. The old Crane home is at Somers, Westchester County, N. Y., and is called "Granite Hall."

Blake's History of Putnam County says: "Not one of the name was known to adhere to the cause of the king."

Colonel Thaddeus Crane was with General Wooster at the Battle of Ridgefield, and was wounded—"Shot through the body." The story is told, that he bled his boots full, came near fainting from loss of blood, but managed to sit his horse till the British retreated; that, had they known he was wounded, could have taken him prisoner. Col. Thaddeus Crane and General Daniel Wooster were taken and laid on a large rock and their wounds were dressed. "Archives of the State of New York;" "The Revolution;" "Invalids who received Pensions from the State of New York." "The Legislature of the State of New York passed, on the 22d of April, 1786, an act making provisions for officers, soldiers and seamen, who have been disabled in the service of the United States." The payment of pensions to the soldiers of New York and other states began, according to the "Ledger Rev. Accounts," March, 1782. Crane-Thaddeus, Major (Col. Thomas Thomas' Militia); shot through the body; expedition to Danbury, April 27, 1777."

The following from Pension Office, Washington, D. C.: "In an unofficial publication entitled "Hoitman's Historical Register of Officers of the Continental Army during the War of the Revolution, April, 1778, to December, 1783"—"Crane— Thaddeus (N. Y.), Major New York Militia; wounded at Danbury, 27th of April, 1777."

Family Record of Col. Thaddeus Crane, who was born the 30th of March, 1728, and died the 3d of September, 1803; married Sarah Paddock, February 24, 1751. Here follows a record of the children of his first wife, Sarah Paddock (daughter of Peter Paddock, of Putnam County, N. Y.), who died 1777:

18. Female infant, b. Jan., 1752, d. Feb., 1752.

- 19. Thaddeus, b. March 2, 1753; d. Oct. 19, 1776. Lost his life by exposure in the Army of the Revolution.
- 20. Mary, b. Sept. 24, 1754; m. Nathaniel Paddock; d. June 30, 1830.
- SARAH, b. Sept. 5, 1757; m. Abram Smith (of North Salem, Westchester County, N. Y.) (See Smith); d. Oct. 30, 1829.
- 22. Jared, b. Oct. 23, 1759; d. Dec. 8, 1776.
- 23. Peter, b. Oct. 28, 1761; d. Nov. 12, 1818.
- 24. James, b. Oct. 11, 1763; d. Aug. 17, 1829.
- 25. Elizabeth, b. Nov. 7, 1765; d. March 18, 1844.
- 26. Ruth, b. Oct. 27, 1767; m. Jonathan Smith; d. March 18, 1844.
- 27. Abigail, b. April 17, 1770; d. April 27, 1846; unmarried.
- 28. Thomas, b. Oct. 28, 1772; d. Jan. 15, 1777.

Record of the marriages given by Miss Carrie M. Crane, Patterson, N. Y.

Colonel Thaddeus Crane, father of the eight children by his second wife, Lydia, widow of John Baxter, married January 13, 1779, and she was the mother of eight children, viz.:

- 29. Thaddeus, b. Dec. 31, 1780; m. first, Charlotte Titus; second, Mary Titus; d. Oct. 16, 1849.
- 30. Fanny, b. Aug. 11, 1782; m. Eli Gannsley; d. Jan. 4, 1852.
- Lydia, b. May 19, 1784; m. Samuel Banks, M. D.; d. Jan. 4, 1852.

- 32. Theda, b. May 3, 1786; m. Truman Smith; d. May 17, 1842.
- 33. Weltham, b. Dec. 17, 1788; m. Zebulon Crane; d. Feb. 11, 1872, at Somers, N. Y.
- 34. Gerard, b. Jan. 3, 1791; m. Roxanna Purdy.
- 35. Sally, b. Sept. 14, 1793; m. John Lounsbury, and lived in Norwalk, Conn.; d. March 4.
- 36. Thomas, b. Feb. 13, 1797; d. in Wainsborough, Wain Co., N. C., Aug. 29, 1822; unmarried.

"My father settled in the town of North Salem, Westchester County, where all of his nineteen children were born, and his bones, and those of my mother, are laid in the Presbyterian cemetery, of which church he and my mother were members, at Waynsborough, North Carolina, in a family cemetery of a private gentleman of the name of Hill, being refused a plot in the public cemetery. I have always appreciated it as being a true act of Southern kindness to a Northern stranger: GERARD CRANE."

Copied by his son Thaddeus.

The following record was taken from the Bible of the late Judge John Crane, of Putnam County, N.Y.:

"Joseph Crane was a son of Jonathan Crane, of Wyndham, Conn., and grandson of Benjamin Crane (brother of Henry), who came to America from England. Joseph was born August, 1696, and died August, 1781. He was the father of four sons and four daughters, viz.: Zebulon, Joseph, Mary, Thaddeus, Abigail, Anna, Stephen and Ada, whose united ages amounted to six hundred and two years.

"Judge Crane had a record, not entered in his Bible, stating that three brothers came from England, and that John settled in Connecticut, one in New Jersey, and the other he did not know where. Judge Crane, to whom I am indebted for this statement, was of the Revolution, and he used to boast in his old age—being over 80 years—that there was not a Tory of the name. I have passed my eightieth year, and am making these entries without the use of my glasses. But there is no man at this day who will blush to be told that his ancestors were true whigs.

"Thaddeus, the father of our family, was a soldier of the Revolution, holding the Rank of Colonel. He was

wounded at the battle of Ridgefield, Conn., a bullet having passed through his body, lodging in his clothes near the back, from which he recovered. The bullet was kept in our family for a number of years, when it was mysteriously lost. His sword hangs in the diningroom of my son Thaddeus, rusted with the blood of the Revolution, and a glorious memento of that sanguinary struggle. I have also documentary evidence that high confidence was reposed in him by his superior officers. He married Sarah, daughter of Peter Paddock, of Putnam County, who died leaving eleven children, and on the 13th of January, 1799, he married the widow of John Baxter, who brought him eight children. Her maiden name was Lydia Reed. She survived her husband twenty-three years, he dying September, 1803, and she in 1826. Her three Baxter children, whose names were Mary, Daniel and Huldah, were brought up with those of my father, and now I am the only one living of the nineteen children."

This is a copy of the memorandum written by my father, Gerard Crane, February 10, 1871 at 80 years of age, and copied by his son, Thaddeus, at 60 years of age.

> THADDEUS CRANE, Somers, Westchester County, New York.

Letters written by Joseph Crane and his son, Thaddeus:

"DUTCHESS COUNTY, SOUTH-EAST PRECINCT COMMITTEE, "August 21, 1775.

"Pursuant to a Resolution of Provincial Congress:

"Ordered that Thomas Baldwin, Esquire, and Mr. Nathaniel Foster, two of the member of this Committee, notify the Militia of this Precinct, consisting of one Beat (lately commanded by John Field, as Captain), to appear on the 25th instant at the usual place of parade; that the said Militia, under the direction and inspection of the said Baldwin and Foster, may arrange themselves into a Military Company, agreeable to said Resolution of Congress; that said Militia do then and there make choice of military officers by a majority of votes, to take the command of said Company; and that said Baldwin and Foster make return of their doings to the Chairman of this Committee. "Having duly executed the above order of Committee, we hereby certify that the Company of Militia of said South-east Precinct, agreeable to said order, did assemble; and they have, by a fair majority of votes, made choice of Commissioned Officers to take the command of said Company, agreeable to the aforesaid Resolution of Congress, as follows, viz.: William Mott, Captain; Benjamin Higgins, First Lieutenant; Ebenezar Gage, Second Lieutenant; Nathaniel Green, Jun., Ensign.

"Test. "Thomas Baldwin. "Nathaniel Foster.

"A true copy of the return,

"JOSEPH CRANE, Chairman."

"Return of Minute officers in South-east Precinct, Dutchess County, New York:

"DUTCHESS COUNTY, SOUTH-EAST PRECINCT COMMITTEE, September 22, 1775.

"Ordered, That those persons who have arranged themselves in the character of Minute-Men in this Precinct, do assemble themselves on the 26th instant, in order to choose out of their Company the several officers which, agreeable to directions of our Congress, are to command such Companies; and that Thomas Baldwin, Esqr., and Mr. Nathaniel Foster, Members of this Committee, do attend and inspect such choice and make return thereof to the Chairman of this Committee. "JOSEPH CRANE, Chairman."

"South-East Precinct, Sept. 26, 1775.

"We hereby certify that agreeable to the foregoing order, the Company of Minute-Men therein referred to, did, on the 26th instant, assemble, and, under our inspection, made choice of Joshua Barnum, Jun., as Captain; William Marsh, First Lieut.; Elinakim Barnum, Second Lieut., and Jonathan Crane, Ensign.

"THOMAS BALDWIN,

"NATHANIEL FOSTER."

The following is a letter from Joseph Crane, Chairman of the South-east Precinct Committee, to Egbert Benson:

"South-east Precinct, May 22, 1777.

"DEAR SIR: Yesterday I saw one Allaby, a sergeant of Captain Dollman, taken prisoner at Ward's, with

Major Dain; he made his escape from the guard-house in New York on the evening of the 15th inst.; gives a favourable account of the state of the prisoners taken with him, our worthy friend, Major Dain, excepted, who, he says, has been in close confinement during the whole of his captive state; that the only reason assigned therefor is, his having no commission with him; says he has often heard the Major lamenting the hardships to which he is subjected on that account, wishing for an opportunity to inform his friends thereof; that in addition to a train of painful circumstances consequent on a state of close confinement, the means of subsistence was rendered much more expensive. His supplies from home, I understand, have been much short of what I have before understood, twenty-five dollars being the full amount of what he had received; he has had the small-pox by inoculation pretty severely; is now in a good state of health. I presume a simple relation of of facts will be sufficient to engage your attention, and that the earliest opportunity will be embraced for the relief of this worthy officer; anything in my power to forward the same will be with pleasure complied with.

"I have the pleasure to hear my son is well; has for some time been admitted to his parole, either to remain in New York or to go to Long Island; has chosen the former; taking his board with Mr. Thomas Arden; had the small-pox favourably, and in all respects is happy as a state of captivity admits of. Alleby says the enemy lost fourteen men in the action at Ward's; six of those they carried off wounded died between Ward's and Williams'; the seventh died as soon as they had got to Valentine's; that every commissioned officer, save one ensign, was killed; that on their arrival at King's Bridge the commanding officer of that post came out of the door of his lodgings, when the prisoners were paraded, and says, 'Well, you have got a parcel of the d-d rebels, have you?' 'Yes,' replied the surviving ensign, 'but we have paid d-d dear for them; I am the only officer left alive !' to which there was no reply made.

"He tells further that the day before he left New New York, he read in the papers an account of the enemy's loss in Danbury tour, estimated at between 3 and 400 men; that he often heard them say one to another, that the Danbury rout had been more expensive to them, in proportion to the number of their troops, than the Lexington tour. May Heaven grant that their

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cursed enterprises may still prove more and more expensive to them, till they become quite bankrupts.

"We are now in this quarter (as it were) lying on our arms, every hour expecting fresh visits from the Tryonites. A number of the enemy's ships are in the Sound. Yesterday morning upwards of twenty of them drew up against Fairfield, and appeared to be in a landing posture; the alarm reached us by 12 o'clock the same day; by night we were informed they soon came to sail again, and went westward to Norwalk. They are no doubt meditating another of their felonious enterprises, and I have the pleasure to assure you our people are evidently better disposed, as well as better prepared otherwise, to bid them welcome, than ever we were before; and the general say is, that in case Tryon is not gone to account for his former murders, 'tis hoped he will 'again grace his murderous train with his presence, and happily meet what Heaven has declared will be the fate of him in whose skirts is found the blood of men.'

"You will overlook the blunders in this horrid scrawl, and accept the humble regard of Sir,

"Your most obedient,

"JOSEPH CRANE.

"To Egbert Benson, Esqr."

Letter from Thaddeus Crane:

"KINGSTON, August 9th, 1777.

"GENTLEMEN: It being my misfortune, in repulsing the enemy at Ridgefield, on the 26th of April last, to meet with a wound from them, which confined me to my bed for a long time; and I was at great expense by loss of time and cost of doctor. I desire to know from your Honorable Council, whether I am to receive any wages or relief from the State, and where to apply to get the same if any is allowed. These from your honour's humble servant,

" THADDEUS CRANE.

"To the Honorable the Council of Safety of the State of New York."

"NEW YORK, July 11th, 1894.

"Mrs. Francis G. Smith,

"St. Clair County, Mich.:

" MADAM-

"Your note to General Wilson and Mr. Duffield has been sent to me, and the information I enclose: "Thaddeus Crane was delegate in the New York Legislature from Westchester, 1777–8 and '9, also in 1788 and '9. There was another of the name, member of the Legislature in 1825.

"Colonel Thaddeus Crane, from Westchester, was delegate in the New York State Constitutional Convention in 1788, and he voted for the Constitution which was adopted. He was Captain of the North Salem Company, Second Regiment, Westchester, N. Y., Militia, under Col. Thos. Thomas, commissioned September, 1775, afterwards Second Major. The Fourth Regiment was set off from the Second and First, and Thaddeus Crane appointed Lieut. Colonel, October. 1779. He is reported at the attack on Danbury, April, 1777, as Major, and wounded there. He was not a member of the Continental Congress, but the New York Assembly was the Provincial Congress in 1777–9, when he was a member.

"I have been so busy since receiving the letter that I have not replied before.

"Your obedient servant,

"RICHARD H. GREEN.

"P. S.—Shall be glad to aid you further, if you need my services."

CRANE FAMILY REUNION.

NEW YORK CITY, WEDNESDAY, October 5, 1881.

You are invited to attend a reunion to be held under the auspices of the Crane Genealogical Association, at Chickering Hall, No. 130 Fifth Avenue, New York City, on Wednesday, October 5, 1881.

Doors opened at r o'clock P. M. Order called at 3 P. M. precisely. An address may be expected by Rev. Ethan B. Crane, of Brooklyn, N. Y. Also a eulogy on the character and services of the late Commodore Homer Crane Blake, by Mr. James E. Crane, of New York City. And a brief report from the Secretary of the Association. The exercises will be diversified by vocal and instrumental music by members of the family.

Dinner will be served at 6:30 o'clock.

All persons expecting to be present will kindly intimate their purpose to do so by communicating promptly with Mr. James E. Crane, 729 Broadway, New York City, in order that the Committee may make provision for their reception.

Tickets for the entertainment, including dinner, \$2.25 each, and can be obtained on applying, by letter or otherwise, to Mr. James E. Crane, 729 Broadway, New York City, or at the door on the day of the meeting. To those not purchasing dinner tickets a charge of twenty-five cents admission to the hall will be made, to cover incidental expenses. All of the name or descent are specially invited to be present.

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History of Putnam Co., Town of "South-east."

"The principal settlers of this town were the Cranes, Crosbys, Halls, Moodys, Paddocks, Hanes, Howes, Carpenters and Dickinsons."

CHAPTER III.

COUCH FAMILY.

[Fairfield Church Records.]

May 3, 1696, Edera, wife of Samuel Couch, renewed covenant.

March 23, 1707, *Samuel* Couch admitted to full Communion.

September 21, 1707, Edera, wife of Samuel Couch, admitted to full Communion.

May 3, 1696, Mary, daughter of Samuel Couch, baptized.

CAPTAIN SAMUEL COUCH was the son of Simon and Mary (daughter of Francis and Anne Andrews) Couch; said Simon died in March, 1688, aged about 55 years; his wife, Mary, died May, 1691.

Captain Samuel Couch, in his will, dated May 12, 1739, and probated December 10, 1739, speaks of his daughter Mary Crane (wife of Joseph Crane).

"Samuel Couch," Col. Rec. Ct., 1706-1716; Ensign, page 109; Lt., page 115; Capt., page 171.

Deputy for Fairfield, 169 and 346, pages.

"Samuel Couch, of Fairfield in 1724, purchased of Chicken, an Indian Saggamore, (who lived between F. & Danbury), Ridgefield & Newtown, at a place called Longtown, for the consideration of f_{12} 6s, all the lands situated bet. said towns, except such as had been patented by the Gov. & Co, of Conn. (All unpatented land.) Chicken reserved in his deed, to himself & heirs, the right to hunt, fish and fowl upon the land and in the waters; also reserved to himself, his children & gr. c. & their posterity the use of so much land by his wigwam as the Gen. Assembly should by an indifferent Committee deem necessary 'for him & his children's children's children & their posterity.' Acknowledged before Joseph Platt, Justice, 1724. Some of his posterity yet reside in Fairfield Co., at Green's Farms. [Record of Patents, p. 31, & Hinman.] 'Coat of Arms."

CHAPTER IV.

PADDOCK FAMILY IN NEW ENGLAND.

- I.-1. ROBERT PADDOCK, of Duxbury and Plymouth, in 1635; a constable in 1646, and in 1643 was on the list to bear arms. He died in 1650, and his wife, Mary, in 1650. (See Austin's 160 Allied Families, p. 187.)
- II.-2. ZACHARIAH, second son, born March 10, 1638, Plymouth; removed to Barnstable, Co. Yarmouth. He was a Deputy in 1706-7-8, and on Committee for seating people in meeting house 1717. He married Deborah Sears, 1659, and had eight children. (See Sears Gen.) The New England Weekly, 1726, June 5, says:

"Yarmouth, Co. of Barnstable, I May, 1727. This day died here Mr. Zachariah Paddock, in 88th year of his age. He was born in Plymouth in the beginning of the year 1640. He retained his reason to an uncommon degree until his last sickness, which lasted but a few days. He was married in 1659 to Deborah Sears, born in this town, and now survives him, having lived together 68 years, and by her God blessed him with a numerous offspring-especially in 3d and 4th generations-having left behind him of his own posterity 48 gr. children & 38 great gr. children; of this latter sort no less than 30 descend from the second son; the old gentleman, his wife, and one of his sons & his wife, lived for a considerable time in a house by themselves, without any other person, when their ages, if computed together, amounted to above 300 years. Mr. Paddock had obtained the character of a righteous man, and his widow, now four score and eight years old, is well reputed of for good works."

Freeman's Cape Cod, Vol. 2. "Zachariah Paddock died May 1, 1727, ae. 91 years. His father was Robert of Plymouth in 1635 and died 1650."

- III.—3. ZACHARIAH, second son, was born April, 1664.? The New England Register states that very little is known about him. He married, first, *Bethiah*———, April 14, 1664.? who died March 8, 1708, and, second, married Mary Thatcher, widow of Deacon Josiah and the daughter of Elisha Hedge. His children numbered thirteen. (See Sears Gen.) Freeman's Cape Cod. "Zachariah Paddock, Jr., died April 8, 1718."
- IV.-4. PETER, the sixth child, was born May 27, 1697, and married March 16, 1721, Sarah, daughter of Jonathan Howes. He removed to South-East probably about the time his brother David did, 1740-50, and died there.

"Peter Paddock died April 10, 1760. ae. 93 years." T. S.

"Sarah Paddock died Oct. 22, 1776, ae. 80 years." T. S.

- V.-5. SARAH PADDOCK, daughter of Peter Paddock, married *Thaddeus Crane*, 24th February, 1751. (From Family Bible of Thaddeus Crane.) She was the mother of ten children and died at North Salem, N. Y., January 13, 1772.
- VI.—6. SARAH CRANE, daughter of Col. Thaddeus Crane and Sarah (Paddock) Crane, was third child, born Sept. 5, 1757, and died Oct. 20, 1829 (Family Bible of Thaddeus Crane). She married Abram Smith of North Salem, N. Y.

Col. Thaddeus Crane mentions his daughter Sarah, wife of Abram Smith, in his will.

CHAPTER V.

CAMPFIELD, BETTS, CAMP, SEARS OR SAYERS, HOWES, BANGS, HICKS AND MAYO FAMILIES.

HOWES.

[Genealogy of the Howes Family.]

The first of the family enjoying any mention is John de Huse, who in 1066, A. D., received a grant of manor in Berkshire, England. From him, in unbroken line, John Howys was descended. The family settled in Norfolk County, England, in 1457, A. D., reign of Henry VI., from which time "Besthorpe" was the family seat for seven generations.

The following gives the succession of Besthorpe:

- I.-JOHN HOWYS, 1457.
- II.-ROBERT HOWYS, 1508.
- III.—THOMAS HOWYS, 1555. Coat of Arms granted 51519, Reign of Henry
- IV.—RICHARD HOWYS, 1559. VIII.
- V.—JAMES, son of Thomas, 1592.
- VI.—ROBERT, son of Thomas, 1618; married Ann, of Caralton Rode, to which place he removed, and was succeeded at Besthorpe by eldest son James.
- VII.—JAMES, son of Robert, date unknown.

JOHN, son of Robert, of Besthorpe, died 1663.

THOMAS, son of Robert, date uncertain (here the name is spelled Howse); married Tabitha, daughter of John Roope, of Morningthorpe, or "Thorpe Hall Manor," which has since been seat of Howse family. This place was settled in 1186 by Henry,



HOWES.

son of Jocelyn, who had it of the Vauxes, by the Abbot of Bury. In 1198 it was settled on Wido (Guido or Guy) who assumed surname of Thorpe, was sold to Gurness, of Boyland Hall (circa. 1412) in whose possession it remained till it came into the Roope family, probably by marriage.

It was the third son of Robert (*Thomas* who was the father of *Thomas*), who with his wife, Mary Burr, emigrated to America and settled in that part of Yarmouth, now Dennis, on Cape Cod, in 1637.

John Howse, who died in 1663, served as Sheriff for Norfolk County, Eng., and altered spelling to Howes. This is said to have been caused by a mistake made in some important legal document, bearing upon the family estate. ("Morningthorpe Manor," Norwich, Norfolk, England; "Howes Estates.")

Thomas Howes and his wife, Mary Burr, the progenitors of the Howes family in this country, came from the County of Norfolk, Eng., and settled in Yarmouth, now Dennis, in 1639. They were in Salem, Mass., two years before (1637), where they first landed.

They brought three sons with them, Joseph, *Thomas* and Jeremiah.

- I.-1. THOMAS HOWES married Mary Burr. He died 1665, aged 75 years. Their children:
 - 2. Joseph, born in England, married Elizabeth Mayo. He died Jan 19, 1694-5.
 - 3. THOMAS, born in England, married Sarah Bangs 1656. He died Nov. 20, 1676.
 - 4. Jeremiah, born on passage over, married Sarah Prince. He died Jan. 5, 1705-6.
- II.—3. THOMAS HOWES married Sarah Bangs 1656. Children:
 - 5. Rebecca, born 1657, Dec.
 - 6. Thomas, born May 2, 1663, married Abigail.
 - 7. JONATHAN, born Feb. 25, 1669, married Sarah. Sarah born Oct, 29, 1673, married Daniel Sears Feb. 12, 1708.

III.—7. JONATHAN Howes married Sarah. He died January 5, 1750-1. Children:

- 8. SARAH, born June 30, 1695, married Peter Paddock March 16, 1720-1.
- 9. David, born April 30, 1698, married Hannah Paddock Feb 27, 1728-9.
- 10. Jonathan, born April 2, 1701, died Jan. 10, 1718-9.
- 11. Joshua, born April 13, 1704, married Eunice Allen July 26, 1733.
 - 12. Thomas, born May 17, 1711, married Mercy Hedge Oct. 20, 1737.
- IV.—8. SARAH married Peter Paddock March 16, 1720-21. Children:
 - 13. SARAH.

[Colonial Record.]

- I.—1. Тномая Howes was of Yarmouth, in 1638; one of the grantees and a Constable in August, 1644; Representative to General Court (Deputy) in 1652-3-8-9-60-61-62 and after. His will, dated 26 September, 1668, named sons Thomas, Joseph and Jeremy, and his wife, *Mary*; in March following she administered on his estate, and died last of February, 1682.
- II.—3. THOMAS HOWES, Yarmouth, was admitted freeman June 1, 1647; married 1656, Sarah, daughter of Edward Bangs. They had four children. He was Representative and Selectman as early as 1668.

Swift's History of Yarmouth gives a "Rate" made in 1676 toward charges of the late war— King Phillips—which shows tax-payers and taxable property: Page 105, Capt. Howes, £6-7-3. Also Zachariah Paddock, £3-7-6; and others.

Thomas Howes was known as Capt. Howes, and had served in the war just preceding his death in 1676. Same, page 107. III.—7. JONATHAN, son of above, was born 25 February, 1670. Sears Gen. states: "Peter Paddock mar. January 16, 1720, Sarah, daughter of Jonathan Howes. She was born June 30, 1695. Died October 22, 1776. Adm. to 2d Church August 4, 1728. Buried in Sears Cemetery."

BANGS.

EDWARD BANGS, of Plymouth, was born, perhaps, in 1592, at Chichester, Co. of Sussex, Eng., and came to New England in 1623. Married, 1627, Lydia, daughter of Robert Hicks. Their daughter Sarah married Thomas Howes. (Savage.)

HICKS.

ROBERT HICKS, of Plymouth, arrived with wife, Margaret, and children, who are presumed to have been Ephraim, Samuel, Lydia and Phebe, 1621. His will, made May 28, 1645, mentions grandchildren, John Bangs, and others. (See Gen. Register IV., 282, and that of his wife, Margaret, in Gen. Register, Vol. VI., 187.) Lydia married Edward Bangs. (Savage.)

SEARS OR SAYRES FAMILY.

This family traces its lineage to an ancestor who fought in 1016 in battle of Ethelred, son of Edmund Ironsides and Canute, King of Denmark. From this soldier the line descends to Adam Sayre, who died possessed of the Manor of Hingham, near Rochester, Co. of Kent, Eng., 1346. His great-grandson, John Sayre, was one of the Barons who represented the town of Sandwich in Parliament in the reign of Henry VI. From this John, through a remote ancestor, descended John of Colchester, and the line proceeds unbroken to Richard of Bourchier Hall, Colchester, known as the "Exile," who, under the persecution of Henry VIII, sought religious freedom in Holland, together with his wife, Lady Anne Kuyoet, of the Norfolk family. Here the family remained four generations. In the fourth generation from Richard (first) the Exile, was Richard the Pilgrim, a member of Pastor Robinson's congregation at Levden, from which came the little band of colonists in the "Mayflower," 1620. Domestic causes prevented Richard Savres from coming until 1630, when he and wife landed at Plymouth with sixty other families. One of the colonies led by him in 1643 settled upon the meadows between the brooks Sursuit and Quivet, near the present town of East Dennis, Mass. He held great influence, and was more than once a member of Plymouth Colony Court. Date of his birth is unknown, but he was buried in Yarmouth August 26, 1676. His widow, Dorothy (Thatcher) Sears, was buried there March 19, 1678-9. Their children were Silas, Paul and (second) Deborah, born 1639, and married Zachariah Paddock 1659.

CHAPTER VI.

"SARGT. THOMAS CAMPFIELD

Obit. 1689

PHEBE CRANE HIS WIFE."

This inscription is traced on the Memorial Bridge at Milford Conn., and Mr. Nathan G. Pond, the late Antiquarian says in his "Story of ye Memorial":

"The Sergeant was brother to Matthew Campfield, one of the charterers under Charles II. This name of Campfield was originally de Philo, and from grants on the River Cam (for services at the battle of Cressy) became Cam de Filo, Camfield and now Canfield in many places."

THOMAS CAMPFIELD, from New Haven to Milford, 1647. His wife was *Phebe Crane*, and their son Thomas was born 1654. He was Representative to General Court 1674-6, etc. In his will, dated February 23, 1687, he mentions his married daughter Phebe and his son John Smith and other children. Phebe married John Smith in 1673; she was baptized March, 1656, and died May 3, 1730. T. S. [Milford Record.]

BETTS.

THOMAS BETTS OF NORWALK, it is stated by Hinman in Genealogy of the Puritans, went from Guilford to Norwalk in 1664, but I find a history of Milford that he was in the former town in 1658 and then removed to Norwalk, where he immediately became a freeman. His wife, *Mary*, went from Guilford with him. He died in 1688, ae. 72. His daughter Hannah, born November 22, 1652, is not mentioned in his will, so may have been deceased at the time of his death

CAMP.

NICHOLAS CAMP, SR., came first to Wethersfield with the early settlers, but is found in Milford as one of the first planters, November 20, 1639, also a Deputy at a later period. He was admitted to the Church March 12, 1643. It is not known when he died. His wife, *Sarah*, was the first adult buried in Milford. "She died on the 6th of September, 1645, in the morning, and was buried the evening after in the garden of Mr. Peter Prudden, pastor."

On the beautiful Memorial Bridge of Milford, which spans the little stream that the first settlers crossed in August, 1639, on their way to the town, then an unbroken forest, Stone No. 22 bears the following:

"NICHOLAS CAMP,

SARAH HIS WIFE."

SAMUEL CAMP, son of Nicholas, Jr., was born September 15, 1655, in Milford, and on November 13, 1672, married *Hannah Betts*, daughter of Thomas and Mary of Norwalk; she was born November 12, 1652, at Guilford. (Record of Milford and Guilford.)

SEYMOUR OR SEAMORE.

RICHARD SEYMORE was of Hartford, 1639; Farmington and of Norwalk, 1650, where he died Oct. ., 1655. His wife, Mercy, came from England with him. He was one of the signers of the agreement for planting Norwalk. His will, dated July 29 and proved Oct. 25, 1655, mentions wife Mercy or Mary, eldest son Thomas and other children. Inventory Oct. 10, 1655. The widow married, second, John Steele, of Farmington, 1656. (Fairfield Prob. Rec. for M. A.)

Richard Seamore is supposed to have been the son of Chaplain Richard Seamore, who, in the expedition of Lord Popham to found a colony on the coast of Maine, was the first to preach the gospel to the Indians in this country. (Strong Gen., p. 1038.) **THOMAS SEYMOUR**, son of Richard, one of the settlers of Norwalk, married, Jan. 1653–4, Hannah Marvin, daughter of Matthew, of Norwalk; he was a freeman, 1668; Deputy, 1690; one of the patentees, 1686, and in 1687 had an estate of £184. He died in 1712. Mentions a second wife (Elizabeth), in his will, dated Sept. 22, 1712, his son "Ensign Matthew," and other children; this will was sealed with coat of arms (Armes: Gules, two wings conjoined in lure, or). (Fairfield Prob. Rec.)

MATTHEW SEYMOUR, son of Thomas, was a prominent and influential man in Norwalk; he was born May, 1669, and married Catherine Hayes, daughter of Mr. Samuel Hayes. Matthew Seamore was Ensign, Lieutenant, Captain, 1728, and died at Norwalk in 1734. His will, dated Jan. 4, 1734–5, mentions wife, Catherine, and eleven children, among them, "Ruth Smith." She had married Jabez Smith, of Ridgefield, where her brother, Matthew, Jr., had settled in 1715. (Colonial Record.)

MATTHEW MARVIN, in Hartford, 1635, came over in ship Increase, 1635. He married, first, Elizabeth, who was born about 1604, as the ship record states she was 31 years of age when sailing, and her daughter Hannah was 6 months. Matthew Marvin died about 1680. Hannah married Thomas Seymour.

MR. SAMUEL HAVES, of Norwalk, married, first, Elizabeth, who was the mother of Catherine; he died about 1729, and she Nov. 3, 1729.

NATHANIEL HAVES, father of Samuel was living in Norwalk in 1694, and settled there in 1652.

THOMAS BETTS, of Guilford, 1650, and of Norwalk, 1664, having been a short period in Milford. He was born in 1618, and died 1688. He was son of Richard Betts, who with wife, Joanna, came from County Herts to Ipswich, Mass., 1648, and removed to Newton, L. I., 1656. The first name of wife of Thomas Betts was Mary.

CHAPTER VII.

SMITH.

I.—JOHN SMITH arrived in Milford early, accompanied by his wife, Grace. His name appears on a list of settlers in 1643—Freeman. When the Presbyterian Society was organized he became a member. (See Lambert's History of New Haven Col.). He was the first of the name in Milford and the following inscription is on "Ye Memorial Bridge," erected upon the 250th anniversary of the settlement of the town:

"JOHN SMITH,

Obit. 1684,

GRACE, HIS WIFE."

(Maiden name, Hawley.)

- II.—JOHN SMITH, born 27th Aug., 1646, second child of John and Grace, was baptized in Milford, Sept., 1646, and married, Jan. 23, 1673, *Phebe Campfield*. He lived and died in Milford, and his tombstone is yet in the old cemetery, 1732.
- III.—THOMAS SMITH, second child of John and Phebe, was born in Milford, Ct., March 17, 1677, and married Hannah Camp, Dec. 2, 1699. He removed from there to Ridgefield, Conn., where he was a prominent citizen, owning large tracts of land, which he divided among his four sons (Ridgefield Land Rec.), and in the conveyances styles himself "yeoman," May 19, 1729, and some later dates. On the records of Ridgefield is the following entry: "Deacon Thomas Smith died September, 15, 1743."
- IV.—JABEZ SMITH, son of Thomas and Hannah, was born in Milford, November 29, 1705, and evidently removed with his father to Ridgefield, Conn.,

where his name frequently appears on the Land Records. He married *Ruth*, daughter of Capt. Matthew Seamore, of Norwalk, June 12, 1729. (Ridgefield Statistics.) His will, recorded in Vol. 5, Danbury Probate Rec., is dated March 22, 1787, and mentions wife, *Hannah*, second wife, several sons and daughters and male child of son Abraham, deceased, probated December 1, 1787. Land Rec., Vol. 4, p. 110 is this entry: "Jabez Smith, of Ridgefield, to son Abraham Smith, of Salem, land lying in Ridgefield, in ye new purchase, Feb. 25, 1756." Also, Vol. 5, 137: "Jabez Smith to son Abraham, December 30, 1771, etc." The father was a member of Congregational Church in 1769.

V.—ABRAHAM SMITH, second child of Jabez and Ruth, was born June 6, 1733 (Ridg. Rec.), in Ridgefield, from whence he removed to North Salem, N. Y. Tradition is that he served in the Revolution, was wounded at Ridgefield when Gen. Wooster was killed, and came home to die. There is no record of a will or distribution of his property on the Probate Records of White Plains, but in the family Bible of some of his descendants are these entries:

"Abraham Smith, Sr., born June 9, 1733, died March, 1784."

"Mary Baxter, his wife, born March 11, 1734, died June, 1802."

"Abraham, born August 15, 1754, died March, 1808."

And then follows the record of the births of seven other children.

VI.—ABRAM SMITH, eldest child of Abraham and Mary, born in 1754, died September 5, 1826.

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Abram Smith of North Salem, Westchester County, N. Y., was First Lieutenant in Col. Samuel Drake's Regiment of the Revolutionary War. Married Sarah Crane, daughter of Thaddeus Crane. Buried at Bolton, Vt.

SARAH CRANE, daughter of Col. Thaddeus Crane and Sarah Crane, and wife of Abram Smith, born September 5, 1757, died October 20, 1829. Buried at Bolton, Vt. Their children were John Keyzar, Polly, Lydia, Sarah, Betsy, Thaddeus, George and Abram.

JOHN KEYZAR SMITH (son of Sarah Crane Smith and Abram Smith), born at North Salem, Westchester County, N. Y., November 29, 1785. When very young went to Bolton, Vt. Died at Algonac, Mich. John Keyzar Smith was a lawyer and practiced law at Pottsdam, N. Y., until the war of 1812, when he entered the army. He took part in the battle of Plattsburg, N. Y. He was Custom House officer, Postmaster, and Justice of the Peace, and Judge of Probate, Algonac, St. Clair County, at different times, until 1855, when he died.

SARAH CRANE SMITH (mother of John Keyzar Smith) was a Revolutionary widow and received two pensions.

JOHN KEYZAR SMITH and Katharine McDonald were married by Justice Whistler of Detroit at Plainfield, Mich., December 2, 1818. Their children were Abram, Sarah Crane, Jane, Angus, Anna, Samuel Latta, Lydia Reed, Katharine, Francis Grey and Mary Baxter.

KATHARINE McDonald Smith (wife of John Keyzar Smith) was born in Glasgow, Scotland, October, 31, 1795; died in Algonac, August 22, 1881. Married John Keyzar Smith December, 1818.

Katharine McDonald was daughter of Jean Johnston of Stirling, Scotland, and Angus McDonald of Aberdeen, Scotland.

CHILDREN OF JOHN KEYZAR SMITH

and

KATHARINE McDONALD SMITH.

ABRAM SMITH, married Fidelia Burt at Algonac, St. Clair County, Mich. Their children were Burt, Cornelia Delay, John Abram, Ella Maria, Angus McDonald.

SARAH CRANE SMITH, married Samuel Russell at Algonac, Mich, January 13, 1841; was born December 25, 1820; died at Algonac, Mich., September 1, 1887. Their children were John Keyzar, Mary Frances, Jane Elizabeth, Catherine Maria, Anna Lydia, Samuel Latta.

ANGUS SMITH, married Maria Peck. Angus Smith married a second wife, Katharine E. Peck. One child—Jesse Hoyt Smith.

SAMUEL LATTA SMITH, married Eliza Cordelia Saeger. Their children were Donald, Katharine and Fred C. Latta, Angus and Margaret.

LYDIA REED SMITH, married Columbus Colon Douglass, 1856. Their children were Jesse, Phoebe Jean, Katharine, Courtney Columbus. Lydia married second time, Judge E. B. Hinsdale of New York City.

CATHERINE SMITH, married William Rainey. One child, William J. Rainey.

MARY BAXTER SMITH, married Charles J. Johnson.

The other children never married.

ANNA SMITH, died, 1897, April 30.

[Wisconsin Men of Progress.]

"Smith, Angus, who located in Milwaukee in 1854, and who for forty years has been one of the leading features in business circles, was born in Algonac, Michigan, on the St. Clair River, on the 16th day of December, 1822, the son of John K. Smith, a native of Vermont. and Catherine McDonald, who came from Scotland. From the age of 8 years to that of 12, Angus Smith attended the public schools three months each winter, and that was all the education he received. Considering his active and very successful career, one cannot help asking what he might not have accomplished had he enjoyed a larger measure of educational advantages in his youth. Certain it is that his success demonstrates that all obstacles yield to him who wills to conquer. At the age of 14 young Smith went into a country store for a term of three years, at \$75 per year. While in this occupation young Smith had his first experience in the lumber business, in which he has always been more or less interested, his employer sending him to Sandusky, Ohio, with a load of lumber to sell, and he proved equal to the discharge of his commission. Energetic, and ready for anything, provided it was honest, he worked on a farm, and carried the mail through a country district on horseback.

"His father was a lawyer, and practiced law in Pottsdam, N. Y., until the War of 1812, and that he was a worthy man is shown by the fact that he held the offices of Justice of the Peace, Judge of the Probate Court, Postmaster, and Collector of Customs at St. Clair, Mich. He gave his son, on leaving home, some excellent advice. Among other things, he told him there was no such word as can't, and that has been Mr. Smith's motto ever since, and probably one of the secrets of his success.

"Mr. Smith's first venture in business for himself was in the lumber trade, with headquarters subsequently at Sandusky, This business soon grew into large proportions, and later he combined with it that of grain and commission. But, with his native energy and enterprise, he began to look for larger things and a wider field for the development of schemes which were already forming in his mind, and his attention was attracted to Milwaukee as the most promising place for what he already had in view. Removing there in 1854, he engaged in the handling of grain, looking for a favorable

opportunity for realizing his great schemes, which seems to have arrived in 1858, when, forming a partnership with Jesse Hoyt, of New York, he built the first grain elevator erected in Milwaukee, which had a capacity of 500,000 bushels of wheat. People thought him wild, but he was not disturbed by their lack of faith in the city's future. The amount of grain then handled in the city annually was 2,500,000 bushels, and he clearly saw that this amount would rapidly increase with the growth of the agricultural interests of the country and improved facilities for handling it. He saw that what was needed was the systematizing of the business and ample provision for handling all that might be brought in, He was not satisfied with one elevator of one-half a million capacity-he proposed to erect other elevators with an additional capacity of 2,500,000 bushels. People were sure that he was losing his wits. He was not swerved from his purpose, however, by their taunts, and ere long he had erected two more elevators, one of 900,000 bushels capacity and the other one of 1,000,000 bushels. It was not many years before his sagacity was vindicated and his enterprise fully rewarded by the unparalleled growth of the business; the annual receipts of grain had reached the enormous amount of 33,000,000 bushels, and Milwaukee had risen to the position of the greatest primary wheat market of the world. Although he was the founder of the system of handling grain through great elevators at prominent ports and markets, there came a time when he saw a new system was desirable, and he introduced that of storing grain of the same quality together in bins, and issuing receipts for the same, so that it could be shipped in large quantities.

"Mr. Smith next engaged with all his energy in the projecting and building of elevators, and to his energy, influence and personal efforts is due the construction of several lines of road, now important parts of the great systems known as the C., M. & St. P., and C. & N. W. Railways. Among these roads are the Milwaukee & Northern and the Winona & St. Peter, the last named traversing the great wheat fields of Minnesota.

"For years past Mr. Smith has been interested in iron mining in Northern Michigan and Wisconsin, and in the mining of precious metals in the far Western states, and these great enterprises have been pushed with his wellknown energy, and into their management has gone much of his practical wisdom and the results of his long and varied experience in the directing of great and complicated schemes. It is safe to say that all of these ventures have added something to the fortune which is the just and natural reward of the labors of his long and busy life.

"Mr. Smith is and always has been a Republican, although his father was a Democrat. He has steadfastly refused to accept nominations for office, though frequently urged by friends to permit the use of his name in this connection. The enterprises in which he has been for so many years engaged, absorbing all his time and attention, have rendered it impracticable for him to give thought to the details of official position; yet, had he accepted office, there is little doubt that he would have made as great a success of it as he has of business affairs. He is not a member of any church, and claims to be an agnostic or free thinker.

"Mr. Smith is a true friend, husband and father; devoted to his family and thoughtful of every one related to him. Few will ever know of all his generosity.

"Mr. Smith was married in 1846 to Maria C. Peck, who died in 1859. He was married a second time in 1861 to Catherine E. Peck, and they have one son, Jesse Hoyt Smith."

KATHARINE LOUISE DOUGLASS married Nathan Young Worrall, December, 1897.

ANGUS MCDONALD and Jean Johnston were married at Glasgow. Their children were Katharine, Nancy, Angus and Andrew. Jean Johnston was a descendant of the Earl of Montieth.

ANGUS MCDONALD, wife and family came to America with the Selkirk Colony (Lord Thomas Douglas, Earl of Selkirk's Colony) in 1806, and settled in Beldoon, Canada, as a printer for the Colony. In 1812 Angus McDonald bought a farm on Stromnesse Island, Mich. (near Algonac). He was a soldier in the British Army, and after the battle of Miami, 1814-15, was taken prisoner and imprisoned at Detroit.

CHAPTER VIII.

RUSSELL FAMILY.

SAMUEL RUSSELL was son of Wm. Russell and Margaret Burns Russell. (Wm. Russell was English and Margaret Burns was Scotch.) Samuel Russell was born in the North of Ireland, July 22, 1813; died at Algonac December 31, 1879.

CHILDREN OF SAMUEL RUSSELL

and

SARAH CRANE SMITH RUSSELL.

JOHN KEYZAR RUSSELL was born in Algonac, February 10, 1842. Married in Milwaukee, 1876, to Louise Lynel.

MARY FRANCES RUSSELL married Horace Brewster Rogers at Algonac, August 15, 1871. Mary Frances was born at Marine City, Mich., August 30, 1844. Their children were Horace Brewster, Katharine Smith, Ben Russell, Don Angus, Wilson Parker, Laura Seager, Frank **Y**ance. Horace Brewster Rogers was Lieutenant in the war of 1861.

JANE ELIZABETH RUSSELL married Dr. Alfred David at Algonac, December 25, 1876. Born at Algonac June 8, 1846. One child—Sarah Atlanta David.

KATHARINE MARIA RUSSELL married Shephard Harrison Currie at Port Huron, Mich., August 5, 1866. Born at Algonac September 21, 1847. Their children were Harrison Samuel, William Russell, Carlos, Margaret, Arthur, Stephen Grummond. ANNA LYDIA RUSSELL (daughter of Samuel Russell and Sarah Crane Smith Russell) was born at Algonac June 27, 1858; was married to Frank Leslie Vance at Milwaukee, Wis., at the residence of her uncle, Angus Smith, June 1, 1885.

SAMUEL LATTA RUSSELL, unmarried, was born at Algonac, June 27, 1858.

[Taken from Port Huron Commercial.]

THE DEATH OF MR. SAMUEL RUSSELL, OF ALGONAC.

"Few men ever lived in St. Clair County who were more universally known or generally esteemed than Mr. Russell. One of the oldest residents, a man prominent in politics, connected by ties of blood and kindred with one of the oldest, most cultured families in the state, his departure from our midst is an event of no common importance. He was born in Ireland and was a man of strong sympathies and impulses, true to his friends and his belief. He was warm-hearted and hospitable, and no task was too great for him if a friend needed assistance.

"In politics he was a Democrat, and in that he was positive as in everything else. He was a man of the strictest integrity. He had the full confidence of all who knew him. He has been Sheriff of St. Clair County, many terms Supervisor of Clay Township, and was Custom House Officer in 1856.

"He was the last Democratic candidate for Judge of Probate and made an excellent run. His wife, four daughters and two sons survive him. He was ill only eleven days with typhoid pneumonia. The funeral took place from his late residence in Algonac on Friday, January 2d. There was a very large attendance, and expressions of sympathy and sorrow were universally shown in the community where he had lived so long and blameless a life."

[From the Detroit News.]

"Mr. Samuel Russell died at Algonac, Mich., December 31st. It leaves a vacant place in the society of that part of St, Clair County, which no one else can readily fill. He was a well informed, straightforward man, known and respected by hundreds of dwellers in, and visitors of, St. Clair County, where his name has long been a synonym for hospitality and integrity of character."

KATHARINE ROGERS was born at Algonac, Mich., October 4, 1873. Married to William A. Rublee, October 7, 1896, at Milwaukee (residence of Angus Smith).

LAURA SEAGER ROGERS was born at Hancock, Mich., September 10, 1880.

WILLIAM RUBLEE was son of Horace and Katharine Hopkins Rublee, was born 1861; was Consul to Prague under the Harrison administration. Horace Rublee was Minister to Switzerland during Grant administration.

VANCE FAMILY.

FRANK LESLIE VANCE (son of David Vance and Jane Wilson Vance) was born at Sacketts Harbor, N. Y., September 9, 1847. Married to Anna Lydia Russell, June 1, 1885.

DAVID VANCE and Jane Wilson were married at Bangor, Ireland. (Bangor is a suburb of Belfast.) Their children were David, William, Charles, Wilson, Jane, Louis, Hattie and Frank Leslie. David Vance was born at Bangor, Ireland, in 1804. Margaret Wilson was born at Bangor, Ireland, in 1810.

DAVID VANCE, JR., was born in Belfast, Ireland. Came to Milwaukee in 1854; was member of Wisconsin Legislature from 1875 to 1878. Was elected President of the Milwaukee Chamber of Commerce in 1897. David Vance and his brother, Frank L. Vance, are the two members of the firm "David Vance & Co.," Insurance and Transportation.

CHAPTER IX.

CERTIFIED RECORDS.

STATE OF CONNECTICUT, SS

REGISTRAR'S OFFICE,

Town of Norwich, May 13 A. D., 1897.

I Hereby Certify, That Jonathan Crane and Deborah Griswold were legally joined in marriage at Norwich, New London County, Connecticut, on the 19th day of December A. D. 1678, as appears by the records of said Town of Norwich relating to the Registration of Marriages solemnized in said Town.

In Witness Thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of my office at said Norwich, this 13th day of May A. D. 1897.

Attest :

[SEAL.]

SAMUEL H. FREEMAN, Registrar.

Town Clerk's Office, Town of Windham, C. H. Dimmick, Town Clerk,

STATE OF CONNECTICUT, ss County of Windham,

WINDHAM, June 18th, A. D. 1897.

I Hereby Certify, That the following is a true copy of a birth as appears upon the records of the Town of Windham, and recorded in book A, on page 4.

Joseph Crane, the son of Jonathan Crane and Deborah, his wife, was born on the 17th day of May anno 1696.

Attest :

[SEAL.]

C. H. DIMMICK, Town Clerk of Windham.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

BARNSTABLE, $\}$ ss.

PROBATE COURT.

I, Freeman H. Lothrop, Register of the Probate Court for said County of Barnstable, having, by law, the custody of the seal and all the records, books, documents and papers of or appertaining to said Court, hereby certify that in Vol. 8, pages 440-441 and 442, is recorded the will of Jonathan Howes, of Yarmouth, Mass., which will was proven and allowed Jan. 17, 1750, and in said will I find the following words: "I give unto Sarah, my well beloved wife, my Moloto Servant girl named Deborah," etc.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal of said Court this nineteenth day of February, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight.

FREEMAN H. LOTHROP,

[SEAL.]

Register.

"Abraham Smith, Sr., was born June 9, 1733. Died March, 1784.

"Mary Baxter, his wife, was born March 11, 1734; died June, 1802.

"Abraham, born August 15, 1754; died March, 1808.

"Mary Smith, born Aug. 10, 1756; died June, 1803.

"Abigail, born Dec. 15, 1758; died March 20, 1788.

"Reuben, born July 12, 1762; died July 7, 1836.

"Nathaniel, born April 4, 1764; died Sept., 1840.

"Abel, born Sept. 2, 1766; died Sept. 28, 1850.

"Pettit, born March 8, 1770; died Aug. 31, 1837.

"Samuel, born Aug. 20, 1772; died June 29, 1839."

From family Bible in the possession of Elizabeth B. Smith, granddaughter of Abel Smith, and great-granddaughter of Abraham and Mary (Baxter) Smith, now residing in North Salem, New York.

"* * * Know ye that Samuel Couch, Benjamin Couch, Ebenezer Couch, Joseph Crain, and Mary, his wife, Joseph Trost, and Adrea, his wife, and Abigail Couch, all of the town and county of Fairfield, Colony of Connecticut, in New England, Reuben Taylor, and Eunice, his wife, of Norwalk, in ye county aforesaid, and Jonathan Todd, and Elizabeth, his wife, of East Gilford, in ye County of New Haven and Colony aforesaid, for and in consideration * * * do sell * * to Moses Dickinson * * * land * * * lately laid out to our Hon'rd Father, Samuel Couch, Esq., late of s'd Fairfield, dec'd. Dec. 11, 1739." (Norwalk, Conn., Land Rec. Vol. 8, p. 421.)

I Hereby Certify, That the above entries from family Bible belonging to Elizabeth B. Smith, and the abstract of Land Record, are true copies, made by me.

		L.	BELLE	HAMLIN,
STATE OF CONNECTICUT, County of New Haven.	ss.			Genealogist.
	Town	OF	Milford,	Jan. 17, 1898.

Personally appeared L. Belle Hamlin who testified to the truthfulness of the within statement.

[SEAL.]

W. CECIL DURAND, Notary Public.

The will of "Thaddeus Crane of North Salem, County of Westchester, and State of New York. * * * I give unto my loving wife, Lydia * * * and to my daughter, Mary, the wife of Nathaniel Paddock, and my daughter, Sarah, the wife of Abraham Smith, my son, Peter Crane, my son, James Crane, my daughter, Elizabeth, the wife of Nathaniel Smith, and my daughter Ruth, the wife of Jotham Smith, I give and bequeath to each of them twenty shilling apiece, and to my other six daughters, namely, Abigail, Fanny, Lydia, Theda, Welthan and Sally * * * * * to my two youngest sons, Gerard Crane and Thomas Crane, * * * to my son, Thaddeus Crane, Jr. * * * I hereby appoint and nominate my son, Thaddeus Crane, Jr., and Zabud June, Esq., and my wife, Lydia Crane, executors to this, my last will and testament. "THADDEUS CRANE.

"Signed the second day of July, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and three.

"SAMUEL TRUESDELL,

"TIMOTHY NORTON, Witnesses."

"WILLIAM ROGERS.

Vol. C, p. 196, Westchester County Surrogate Records.

I Hereby Certify, That the above abstract is a true copy of the Surrogate Records of Westchester County, State of New York. L. BELLE HAMLIN,

Genealogist.

A True Copy. LESLIE SUTHERLAND, Clerk of the Surrogates Court. [SEAL.] January 20, 1898. "Thaddeus Crane was married to Sarah, daughter of Peter Paddock, 24th February, 1751.

"One daughter, born Jan. 28, 1752; died 1752.

"Thaddeus, born March 2, 1753; died Oct. 19, 1776.

"Mary, born Sept. 24, 1754; died June 30, 1830.

"Sarah, born Sept. 5, 1757; died Oct. 20. 1829.

"Jared, born Oct. 30, 1759; died Dec. 8. 1776.

"Peter, born Oct 23, 1761; died Nov. 12, 1818.

"James, born Oct. 11, 1763; died Aug. 17, 1829.

"Elizabeth, born Nov. 7, 1765; died March 18, 1844.

"Ruth, born Oct. 27, 1767; died March 18, 1844.

"Abigail, born April 17, 1770; died April 27, 1848.

"Thomas, born Oct 26, 1772; died Jan. 15, 1777.

"Thaddeus Crane, father of above eleven children, was married to Lydia, widow of John Baxter, Jan. 13, 1779. Their children here follows: * * * "

I Hereby Ceritfy, That the above writing is a true copy of entries recorded in the family Bible belonging to Mr. Thaddeus Crane, of South East, N. Y., who is a lineal descendant of the above mentioned Col. Thaddeus Crane and has in his possession the English sword and many valuable papers formerly the property of Col. Thaddus Crane.

L. BELLE HAMLIN, STATE OF CONNECTICUT, SS. County of New Haven, Ss.

TOWN OF MILFORD, Jan. 3, 1898.

Personally appeared, L. Belle Hamlin, who testified to the truthfulness of the above statement.

W. CECIL DURAND, Notary Public.

[SEAL.]

John K. Smith was married to Catharine McDonald the second day of December, 1818.

Sarah Crane Smith was born at St. Clair the 24th of December, 1820.

DETROIT, WAYNE COUNTY, February 2, 1898.

On this second day of February, eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, personally appeared Frances Grey Smith, who swore that the above is a true copy taken by her from the family record in the family Bible at Algonac Michigan.

As witness her signature attested herein below.

FRANCES G. SMITH.

ELIZA C. SMITH, F. S. SMITH.

FRED. L. SMITH, *Notary Public*. In and for Wayne County, Michigan.

[SEAL.]

MARRIAGE CERTIFICATES, ST. CLAIR COUNTY.

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Book No. One.

SAMUEL RUSSELL

to

SARAH C. SMITH,

Recorded February 15, 1841.

M. H. MILES, Clerk.

I, John P. Phillips, a Justice of the Peace of the County of St. Clair, in the State of Michigan, do hereby certify that on the 13th day of January, 1841, in the Township of Clay, in said County, Samuel Russell, of the Township of Cottrellville, in said County, aged twenty-seven years, and Sarah C. Smith of the Township of Clay, aged twenty years, were married by me, and that they were personally known to me, and after due inquiry made, there appeared no lawful impediment to the said marriage, and that John K. Smith, of the Township of Clay, and Selden A. Jones, of Cottrellville, were present as witnesses at the said marriage. Given under my hand the 13th day of January A. D. 1841.

> J. P. PHILLIPS, Justice of the Peace.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, Ss.

I, F. R. Schell, Deputy Clerk of the Circuit Court for the County of St. Clair, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the record of marriage of Samuel Russell and Sarah C. Smith, as appears of record in my office. That I have compared the same with the original. and it is a true transcript therefrom, and of the whole thereof,

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand, and affixed the seal of said Court, at Port Huron, this 12th day of Aug., A. D. 1897.

[SEAL.]

F. R. SCHELL, Dep. Clerk.

IN THE NAME OF THE FATHER, AND OF THE SON, AND OF THE HOLY GHOST. AMEN.

This Certifies that Horace Brewster Rogers, of Calumet, Michigan, and Mary Frances Russell, of Algonac, Michigan, were united in holy matrimony on the fifteenth day of August, A. D. eighteen hundred and seventy-one, at Algonac, Michigan, in the Diocese of Michigan, according to the rites of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and in accordance with the laws of the State of Michigan.

Dated Wednesday, this seventh day of August, A. D. 1897. ANDREW JAMIESON, Officiating Clergyman.

J. H. RUSSELL, JAMES T. HALEY. Witnesses.

I Certify that this is a true copy from record of marriages in the register of St. Andrew's Church, Algonac, Michigan.

EDWARD H. EARLE, *Rector.*

IN THE NAME OF THE FATHER, AND OF THE SON, AND OF THE HOLY GHOST. AMEN.

This Certifies, That Alfred David, of Algonac, Michigan, and Jennie Elizabeth Russell, of Algonac, Michigan, were united in holy matrimony on the twenty-fifth day of December, A. D. eighteen hundred and seventy-six, at Algonac, Michigan, in the Diocese of Michigan, according to the rites of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and in accordance with the laws of the State of Michigan.

Dated, Wednesday, this eleventh day of August, A. D. 1897.

ANDREW JAMIESON, Officiating Clergyman.

SAMUEL RUSSELL, CHARLES J. JOHNSTON, Witnesses.

I Certify that this is a true copy from the record of marriages in the parish register of St. Andrew's Church, Algonac.

> Atttest: EDWARD H. EARLE, *Rector.*

CERTIFICATE OF MARRIAGE.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, ST. CLAIR COUNTY.

I Certify that on the fifth day of August, A. D. 1866, at Port Huron, in the county aforesaid, I, William Stowe, joined in marriage Shepard H. Currie, of Algonac, in the State of Michigan, and Catharine M. Russell, of Algonac, in the State of Michigan.

That the parties did then and there solemnly declare that they took each other as husband and wife, and that there were present as witnesses Joseph A. Johr, of St. Clair, and Mary Hubel, of St. Clair.

This fifth day of August, A. D. one thousand eight hundred and sixty-six.

> WM. STOWE. *Rector*, Grace Church, Port Huron.

IN THE NAME OF THE FATHER, AND OF THE SON, AND OF THE HOLY GHOST. AMEN.

This is to Certify that on the first day of June, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five, at 244 Martin Street, in the City of Milwaukee, I joined together in holy matrimony

FRANK LESLIE VANCE

and

ANNA LYDIA RUSSELL,

according to the rites of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and in conformity with the laws of the State of Wisconsin.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto affixed my name this first day of June, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-five. CHARLES STANLEY LESTER.

H. B. SANDERSON, Witnesses. A. K. CAMP.

MR. AND MRS. ANGUS SMITH announce the marriage of their niece,

ANNA LYDIA RUSSELL to FRANK LESLIE VANCE,

Monday, June first, Eighteen hundred and eighty-five, Milwaukee, Wis.

MR. AND MRS. ANGUS SMITH desire your presence at the marriage reception of their niece,

> ANNA LYDIA RUSSELL and FRANK LESLIE VANCE,

Monday evening, June first, Eighteen hundred and eighty-five, from eight to eleven o'clock, Milwaukee, Wis.

MR. AND MRS. ANGUS SMITH

request the pleasure of your company at the wedding reception of their niece,

> Katharine Smith Rogers and Mr. William Alvah Rublee,

on Wednesday afternoon, October seventh, eighteen hundred and ninety-six, from half after four until seven o'clock, 244 Martin Street, Milwaukee.

ADDITIONAL RECORDS.

FREDERIC LATTA SMITH (son of Samuel Latta Smith and Eliza Cordelia Smith), married Adelaide Farquhar, in Detroit, Mich., April 12, 1898.

ANGUS SMITH, born in Algonac, Mich., Dec. 16, 1822, died in Milwaukee, Wis., April 22, 1898. He was the son of John Keyzar Smith and Catharine McDonald Smith.

CHAPTER X.

COLONIAL RECORDS.

New Haven Col. Rec., Vol. II:

JONATHAN CRANE, of Widham, Conn., Deputy to Colonial Assembly 13 times, 1703-1722; Ensign, 1695; Lieutenant, 1703; and was for several years Deputy to General Conrt.

Col. Rec., Conn., 1636 to 1665 :

EDWARD GRISWOLD, Windsor, Conn., Deputy, page 378; Grand Juror, page 379.

Col. Rec., Conn., 1678 to 1689:

Deputy for Killingworth 21 times, pp. 3 to 254; Commissioner 9 times, pp. 5 to 230.

Col. Rec., Conn., 1665 to 1677:

FRANCIS GRISWOLD, Deputy to General Session, page 14. Confirmed Lieut. to "Ye trained band of Norridge," page 49. Represented in General Court from 1661 to 1671, pp. 91, 113, 523.

THOMAS HOWES, of Yarmouth, Mass., in 1638 one of the Grantee; a Constable in 1644; Representative to General Court in 1652-3-8-9-60-61-62 (Austin's Allied Fam's, 136-137).

CAPT. THOMAS Howes, of Yarmouth, Mass., admitted freeman June 1st, 1647; Representative as early as 1668. Served in the war. Ensign 1672-1674; Captain 1674. Member of War Council which controlled Plymouth 1667. (Plymouth Col. Rec., Vol. V.)

Bodge's Soldiers of King Phillips War. (App'x page 455.)

Col. Rec., Conn., 1706-1716.

CAPT. SAMUEL COUCH, of Fairfield, Conn. Ensign, page 109; Lieut., page 115; Capt., page 171; Deputy for Fairfield, pages 169 to 346.

ZACHARIAH PADDOCK, of Yarmouth. Deputy 1706-7-8. (Sears Gen.)

RICHARD SEARS, or SAYERS; in Plymouth 1630-1643; led one of the Colonies which settled the present town of East Dennis, Mass. Had great influence, and was more than once member of Plymouth Colony Court. (Sears Gen.)

MATTHEW SEYMOUR, of Norwalk, was a prominent and influential man in Norwalk. Was Ensign, Lieut. Captain 1728, p. 251, and died 1734.

CORRECTIONS.

On page 35, for Eliza Cordelia Saeger, read Eliza Cordelia Seager.

For Fred. C. Latta Smith, read Frederic Latta Smith.

On page 41, for Margaret Wilson Vance, read Jane Wilson Vance.

GENEALOGICAL CERTIFICATE.

I Hereby Certify, That I have personally examined all of the original authorities, or certified copies of same, cited in the foregoing work, and that I have satisfied myself of the correctness and genuineness of said citations; and that I consider this compilation a most excellent authority, both in its genealogical and historical scope, and a valuable contribution to such literature.

Given under my hand and seal, in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, this fifth day of April, in the year of Grace Eighteen Hundred and Ninety-eight.

HORATIO GATES,

Genealogist.



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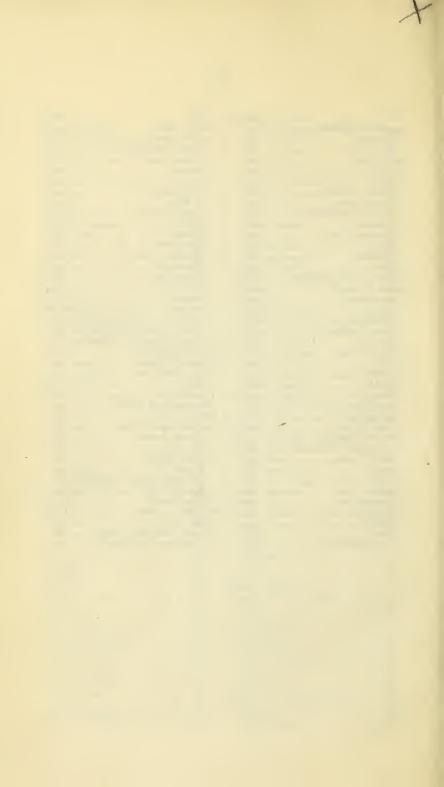
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CHAPTER I.

SEYMOUR.

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JACOBS PEERAGE.

Tables vii and viii, pp. 128 to 162.

- I.—SIR WM. DE ST. MAUR, Kt., 1vd. 1240.
- II.-SIR ROGER DE ST. MAUR, Kt., d. bf. 1300.
- III.—SIR ROGER DE ST. MAUR, 1vd. 1314—Joan Damarel of Devon.
- IV.—SIR ROGER SEYMOUR of Evinswinden, Wilts. Kt. —Celilia de Beauchamp, daughter of John, Baron de Hache, Somersets, d. 1319.
- V.—SIR WM. SEYMOUR, Kt., d. 1390—Margaret de Brockburn, daughter of Simon of Brockburn, in Hertfordshire.
- VI.—ROGER SEYMOUR, Kt., b. 1366, d. 1420—Maude, daughter of Sir Wm. Sturmy or Esturmi, of Chatham, Wilts.
- VII.—SIR JOHN SEYMOUR, b. 1402, d. 1464—Isabel, daughter of Wm. MacWilliams of Gloucestershire.
- VIII.—JOHN SEYMOUR of Wolf Hall, Wilts., d. 1463— Elizabeth Coker, daughter of Sir Robert of Somersets, Kt.
- IX.—JOHN SEYMOUR of Wolf Hall, Wilts., b. 1450; d. 1491—1st Elizabeth Darell, daughter of Sir George of Littlecote, Wilts., Kt.
- X.—SIR JOHN SEYMOUR, d. Dec. 21, 1536—Margery Wentworth, daughter of Sir Henry of Nettlested in Suffolk; she d. 1550.

- XI.—EDWARD, created Duke of Somerset, Feb. 16, 1546-7; beheaded January 22, 1551-2. Married first Catherine Fillol, daughter of Sir William of Fillol Hall, Essex, Kt.
- XII.—SIR EDWARD SEYMOUR, Kt., d. May 2, 1593—Jane Walsh, daughter of John, Esq., J. P. and Justice Court of Common Pleas, etc.
- XIII.—SIR EDWARD SEYMOUR, Baronet, married 1576; d. April 11, 1613—Elizabeth Champernon, daughter Sir Arthur, Kt., of Dartington, Devon.
- XIV.—RICHARD SEYMOUR, 5th son; to America 1637 (about); settled in Hartford, Conn., 1639; died October, 1655. His wife's name was Mary, or Mercy. His wife, Mercy, came from England with him. He was one of the signers of the agreement for planting Norwalk. His will, dated July 29, and proved Oct. 25, 1655, mentions wife Mercy or Mary, eldest son Thomas, and other children. Inventory Oct. 10, 1655. The widow married, second, John Steele, of Farmington, 1656. (Fairfield Prob. Rec. for M. A.)

A Bishop's Bible, printed in 1584, now in possession of one of Richard Seymour's descendants, has on one of the flyleaves a drawing of the Arms of the Seymour's of Berry, Pomeroy, with the quarterings granted by Henry VIII, and below is Seymour's name written (Arms as engraved):

"Richard Seymour, Berry, Pomeroy, hegtor hundred in ye Com., Devon, his book, Hartford, ye Collony of Conecticat in New England, Annoque Domini 1640."

(Hart. Mem. History, Vol. II, 258, foot note.) (From Gates' "Some Wisconsin Pedigrees and their Lineal Armorial.")

XV.—THOMAS SEYMOUR, son of Richard, one of the settlers of Norwalk, married, Jan. 1653–4, Hannah Marvin, daughter of Matthew, of Norwalk; he was a freeman, 1668; Deputy, 1690; one of the patentees, 1686, and in 1687 had an estate of £184. He died in 1712. Mentions a second wife (Elizabeth), in his will, dated Sept. 22, 1712, his son "Ensign Matthew," and other children; this will was sealed with coat of arms (Armes: Gules, two wings conjoined in lure, or). (Fairfield Prob. Rec.)

XVI.—MATTHEW SEYMOUR, son of Thomas, was a prominent and influential man in Norwalk; he was born May, 1669, and married Catherine Hayes, daughter of Mr. Samuel Hayes. Matthew Seamore was Ensign, Lieutenant, Captain, 1728, and died in Norwalk in 1734. His will, dated Jan. 4, 1734–5, mentions wife, Catherine, and eleven children, among them, "Ruth Smith." She had married Jabez Smith, of Ridgefield, where her brother, Matthew, Jr., had settled in 1715. (Colonial Record.)

XVII.—RUTH SEYMOUR married Jabez Smith, June 12, 1729; died September 9, 1776.

SEYMOUR.

(Land Rec. Vol. 5, Page 99, Norwalk.)

"SAMUEL SEAMORE sells to NEHEMIAH SMITH land in Weston which my grandfather, Mr. Samuel Hayes, bought of Lieut. John Omstead, 1725, June 4th."

"SAMUEL HAVES to Gr. Ch. Samuel Seymour, Gr. Ch. Samuel Beldon, son of John, and Samuel Hayes, son of Isaac (*My son*), February 5, 1711–12."

"WILL OF MATTHEW SEYMOUR, Jan. 4, 1734-5, mentions wife Catherine."

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CHAPTER II.

SMITH.

JOHN SMITH and wife, Grace, presumed to be one of the several from Hertfordshire, who could not leave in 1637, when Rev. Peter Prudden and others came. He probably came in one of the three vessels which sailed for New Haven in 1639. The St. John Fairweather arrived at that place while the other went to Southold, Long Island. (Atwater's Hist. of New Haven.)

From amount of property (L. 513-3-9) left by him at his death, 1, 1684 (Inventory, Dec. 1684), it would appear that he belonged to a family of wealth. It is suggested that he may be Smiths of Hadden Hall, Eng., as some of them came to this country.

GRACE HAWLEY SMITH died 1690.

Her will (Rec. Vol. 2, Page 30, New Haven Prov.) is dated Nov. 26, 1689, gives her property to four children. (Taken from an outline of Robert Atwater Smith's Family Lines.)

RUTH SEYMOUR SMITH (wife of Jabez Smith) died Sept. 9, 1776. Deacon Jabez Smith died Sept. 22, 1787, in 82d year of his age.

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(Taken from Robert Atwater Smith's "John Smith of Milford, etc.")

MILFORD SMITHS.

Children of John and Grace (Hawley) Smith:

Ephraim, bapt. Oct. 12, 1644; d. May, 1712.

John, bapt. Aug., 1646; d. Jan. 8, 1752; m. Phebe Canfield.

Mary, bapt. Dec., 1648; d. 1691.

Ebenezer, bapt. Nov., 1650.

Mercy, bapt. Dec., 1652; d. May 2, 1670.

Mehitable, b. March 25, 1655; d. 17—; m. Jan. 15, 1673, Edward Camp.

Children of Sergt. John and Phebe (Canfield) Smith, married Jan. 23, 1673:

John, b. June 18, 1674; d. May 14, 1751. Thomas, b. March 17, 1677; m. Hannah Camp. Samuel, b. Oct. 18, 1679. Ebenezer, b. ____, 1683; d. Nov. 4, 1744. Abiah, bapt. March, 1686. Nathan, bapt. Sept., 1689. Joseph, bapt. April, 1694.

Phebe Canfield was the daughter of Sergt. Thomas Canfield, of Milford, Conn.

Children of Thomas and Hannah (Camp) Smith, married Dec. 2, 1699:

Hannah, bapt. Oct. 24, 1703. Jonah, b. April 29, 1703. Jabez, b. Nov. 29, 1705; m. Ruth Seymour. Gideon, b. June 13, 1709. Isaac, b. Jan. 31, 1712.

Children of Jabez and Ruth (Seymour) Smith (daughter of Capt. Mathew Seymour), married June 12, 1729: 2". Wife Hannah -

Sarah, b. Sept. 17, 1730. " Will made mar. 22-Abraham, b. June 6, 1733.

Joel, b. — 9, 1735-6. Ruth, b. Jan. 16, 1736-7. ABRAHAM SMITH—Wife, Mary Baxter. Laac -

ABRAHAM SMITH, SR., born June 6, 1733; died March 20, 1784, age 57.

Mary Baxter, born March 11, 1734; died June, 1802, age 68. Children:

Abraham, b. Aug. 15, 1754; d. March, 1808; m. Sarah Crane.

Mary, b. Aug. 10, 1756; d. June, 1803.

Abigail, b. Dec. 15, 1758; d. March 20, 1788.

Reuben, b. July 12, 1762; d. July 7, 1836.

Nathaniel, b. April 4, 1764; d. Sept., 1840.

Abel, b. Sept. 2, 1766; d. Sept. 28, 1850.

Pettit, b. March 8, 1770; d. Aug. 31, 1837.

Samuel, b. Aug. 20, 1772; d. June 29, 1839.

Family Bible of Elizabeth B. Smith, great grand daughter of Abraham Smith and Mary Baxter.

ABRAHAM SMITH, JR.—Wife, Sarah Crane (daughter of Col. Thad. Crane).

Sarah Crane, born Sept. 5, 1757; died Oct. 20, 1829. Children:

John Keyzar, Polly, Lydia, Sarah, Betsy, Thaddeus, George and Abram.

JOHN KEYZAR SMITH and wife (Catharine McDonald Smith), married Dec. 2, 1818. Children:

- 1. Abraham (Abram), b. ----; m. Fidelia Burt.
- 2. Sarah Crane, b. ----; m. Samuel Russell.
- 3. Angus, b. ——; m. Maria Peck; second, Catharine Peck.
- 4. Jane, b. —...
- 5. Anna, b. ——.
- 6. Samuel Latta, b. ----; m. Eliza Cordelia Seager.
- Lydia, b. —; m. Columbus Colon Douglass; second, E. B. Hinsdale.
- 8. Catharine, b. ——; m. Wm. Rainey.
- 9. Frances Gray, b. —.
- 10. Mary Baxter, b. -----; m. Charles J. Johnson.

Address:

Chief of the Record and Pension Office,

War Department, Washington, D. C.

RECORD AND PENSION OFFICE, WAR DEPARTMENT.

WASHINGTON, June 13, 1898.

Respectfully returned to Mrs. Frank L. Vance,

486 Marshall Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

The records of this office show that one *Abraham* Smith served as a lieutenant in Crane's regiment of New York militia, Revolutionary War. His name appears in a receipt of which the following is a copy:

"Recvd. 13 July, 1785, of Thads Crane a certificate for thirty-four pounds, one shilling and ten pence, in full for my service, a private in his regiment, 34-1-10, and likewise a certificate for one hundred and seventeen pounds, nineteen shillings and two pence, 117-19-2, in full for the service of my father, lieutenant Abraham Smith, late of Salem, *decst*.

"ABRAHAM SMITH, Executor."

No further information relative to his service has been found of record. The records also show that one John K. Smith served as a private in Captain John Polley's Company, battalion 153d (Fancher's) New York militia, War of 1812. His name appears on the rolls for the period from Nov. 14, 1812, to Jan. 15, 1813, with remarks: "Commencement of service, Nov. 14, 1812;" "Expiration of service, Jan. 15, 1813;" "Tim charged, 2 mos." The records further show that one John K. Smith served as a Sergeant in Captain Caleb Wells's Company, 23d (Cook's) Regiment of New York militia, War of 1812. His name appears on the rolls for the period from Sept. 9 to 20, 1814, with remarks: "Commencement of service, 9 Sept. 1814;" "Expiration of service, 20 Sept. 1814."

No further information bearing upon the subject of your inquiry has been found of record.

By authority of the Secretary of War:

(Signed) F. C. AINSWORTH,

Col. U. S: Army, Chief of Office,

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Letter to Mrs. Frank L. Vance:

ALGONAC, MICHIGAN, Aug. 11, 1898.

My Dear Niece Anna, Milwaukee, Wis .:

Yours making inquiry in regard to my father's history received. I have reason to think the J. K. Smith spoken of in the record referred to was my father, as I have often heard him speak of Capt. John Polley in connection with the War of 1812. He was in the war soon after it was declared, and was connected with it until it closed. He acted as Commissary during the greater part of the time. When it closed, he was very ill. When the soldiers were paid off and disbanded, they were greatly indebted to him for supplies, which left him with a large debt that took many years to pay. Finally he married a Scotch lassie possessed of lands sufficient to pay his war debt. He came on to the St. Clair River and was a pioneer in a new country. He was the first Justice of the Peace, first Postmaster, first Custom House Offier appointed for St. Clair County. The commissions for same are signed by Gov. Cass and others. He was the first Judge of Probate for the county, also the first Master in Chancery, holding offices of trust until his death. He was a staunch Methodist and assisted largely in building the first Protestant church in St. Clair County, which was a Methodist church, and

always remained a firm supporter and consistent member of same. In politics he was a Jeffersonian Democrat.

Now, my dear niece, I think I have complied with your request. I am affectionately,

Your uncle,

(Signed) ABRAM SMITH.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, Ss. County of St. Clair,

The above statement was subscribed and sworn to before me this 11th day of August, 1898.

[SEAL.]

DANIEL G. JONES, Notary Public, St. Clair, Mich.

CHAPTER III.

PADDOCK FAMILY IN NEW ENGLAND.

- I.—ROBERT PADDOCK of Duxbury and Plymouth, in 1665. A constable in 1646, and in 1643 was on the list to bear arms. He died in 1650, and his wife, Mary, in 1650. (See Austin's 160 Allied Families, p. 187.)
- II.—ZACHARIAH, second son, born March 10, 1638, Plymouth; removed to Barnstable, County Yarmouth. He was a deputy in 1706–7–8, and on committee for seating people in meeting house, 1717. He married Deborah Sears, 1659, and had eight children. (See Sears' Gen.) The New England Weekly, 1726, June 5th, says:

"Yarmouth Co. of Barnstable, I May, 1727. This day died here Mr. Zachariah Paddock, in 88th year of his age. He was born in Plymouth in the beginning of the year 1640. He retained his reason to an uncommon degree until his last sickness, which lasted but a few days. He was married in 1659 to Deborah Sears, born in this Town and now survives him, having lived sixty-eight years and by her God blessed him with a numerous offspring-especially in 3rd and 4th generations-having left behind him of his own posterity, 48 Gr. children and 38 Great Gr. children. Of this latter sort, no less than 30 descended from second son. The old gentleman and his wife and one of his sons and his wife, lived for a considerable time in a house by themselves without any other person, when their ages, if computed together, amounted to above 300 years. Mr. Paddock had obtained the character of a righteous man. and his widow, now four score and eight years old, is well reputed of for good works."

Freeman's Cape Cod, Vol. II. "Zachariah Paddock died May 1, 1727, ac. 91 years. His father was Robert of Plymouth in 1635 and died 1650."

SEARS' GENEALOGY.

DEBORAH SEARS (daughter of Richard and Dorothy Janes).

Born Yarmouth, September 1639. Adm. 2d ch. from 1st Church, August 6, 1727; died there August 17, 1732; married "Zachary" Paddock (son of Robert Paddock and Mary Paddock.)

ZACHARY P., born Plymouth, March 20, 1636; died May 1, 1727, at Yarmouth.

PADDOCK'S CHILDREN.

ICHABOD, ZACHARIAH, ELIZABETH, CAPT. JOHN, ROBERT, JOSEPH, NATHANIEL, AND CAPT. JUDAH.

I.—ICHABOD, born Yarmouth, Feb. 2, 1661-2.

- II.—ZACHARIAH, second son, born April 14, 1664. The New England Register states that very little is known about him. He married first, Bethiah, who died March 8, 1708, age 41, and second married Mary Thatcher, widow of Deacon Josiah and the daughter of Elisha Hedge. His children numbered thirteen. (See Sears' Gen.) Freeman's Cape Cod. Zachariah Paddock, Jr., died April 8, 1718. Children:
 - Ichabod, b. June 1, 1687; m. Joanna Faunce, b. June 1, 1687; d. July 17. 1748.
 - 2. Deborah, b. April 2, 1689; m. Oct., 1709, Benj. Bunker.
 - 3. Elizabeth, b. Feb. 11, 1690-1; m. Nov. 2, 1710, Joseph Howes.
 - "Žachariah," b. Nov. 10, 1692; married June 15, 1716, Elizabeth Howes. Elizabeth Howes, b. Feb. 28, 1694.
 - 5. James, b. Dec. 24, 1694; m. Nov. 5, 1719, Rebecca Chapman. Rebecca, b. June 10, 1697.
 - Peter, the sixth child, was born May 27, 1697, and married March 16, 1721, Sarah, daughter of Jonathan Howes. He removed to South-East, probably the time his brother David did, 1740-50, and died there. "Peter Paddock died Oct. 22, 1776, Ae. 80 years." T. S.

- 7. Bethia, b. May 25, 1699; d. Oct. 16, 1728; m. Oct., 1718, Lot Gray.
- 8. Mary, b. July 10, 1701.
- 9. John, b. May 21, 1703, on Feb. 13, 1728, m. Martha Hopkins. Martha, b. March 25, 1705.
- 10. David, b. Aug. 12, 1705; m. Oct. 12, 1727, Mary Foster. Mary, b. Jan. 1, 1709.
- 11. Priscilla, b. Feb. 29, 1707.

Zachariah Paddock's children by wife Mary:

- 12. Hannah, b. Aug. 1709; m. Feb. 23, 1728–9, to David Howes. David Howes d. Feb. 3, 1781.
- 13. Anthony, b. Feb. 5, 1710–11.
- III.—ELIZABETH PADDOCK (daughter of Zachariah Paddock and Deborah Sears Paddock), born Aug. 1, 1666; married Nov. 28, 1689, John Howes. John Howes died April 30, 1736.
- IV.—CAPT. JOHN PADDOCK, born May 5, 1669; died Feb. 18, 1717–18; married, 1694, Priscilla Hall. Priscilla Hall, born Feb., 1671; died Jan. 2, 1724–25. Children:
 - John, b. June 4, 1695; d. Sept. 30, 1732; m., first, Rebecca Thatcher; second, Hannah Thatcher.
 - 2.
 - 3. Elizabeth, b. April 14, 1698; d. June, 1772; m. April 17, 1718, Joseph Sears.

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- Joseph Paddock, b. March 8, 1700; m. March 17, 1725-26, Reliance Stone, b. April 26, 1703; d. March 26, 1734. Joseph Paddock married second, November, 1735, Margaret Crosby, who died November 27, 1738. Third wife, Elizabeth Mayo, 1739.
- 5. Priscilla, b. Jan. 30, 1701-2; m. Feb. 22, 1721-2, Thomas Clark, Jr.
- 6. D. Ebenezer, b. March 18, 1703-4; d. Oct. 18, 1767; m. Oct. 21, 1725, Mary Sears.
- 7.
- 8. Thankful, b. June 26, 1710; d. Nov. 26, 1730.
- Dr. Josiah, b. April 9, 1712; m. Feb. 17, 1736-7, Mercy Sears.
- V.- ROBERT PADDOCK, (Son of Deborah and Zachariah,) born January 17, 1670-1; married March 6,

1701, Martha Hall. Martha, born May 24, 1676. Children:

- 1. Died when seven weeks old.
- 2. Seth, b. March 13, 1704-5; m. April 13, 1727, Mary Nickerson.
- VI.—JOSEPH, born September 12, 1674.
- VII. NATHANIEL, born September 22, 1677; married at Nantucket, December 15, 1706, by William Worth, Esq., to Ann Bunker.
- VIII.—CAPT. JUDAH, born September 15, 1681; died March 31, 1770; married December 5, 1706, Alice Alden. Alice died July 12, 1774. Children:
 - 1. Reuben, b. Dec. 27, 1707.
 - 2. Judah, b. March 27, 1709-10.
 - Samuel, b. Oct. 12, 1711; d. July 27, 1757, m. Dec. 2, 1744, Thankful Howes. Thankful d. June 27, 1789.
 - 4. Mary, b. March 5, 1715; m. Nov., 1731, Judah Sears.
 - 5. Grace, b. Jan. 27, 1715-16; d. Sept. 17, 1780; m. Nov., 1731, John Sears.
 - 6. Rebecca, b. May 12, 1718.
 - 7. Nathaniel, b. Feb. 27, 1723-4.

Sarah Paddock, daughter of Peter Paddock, married Col. Thaddeus Crane Feb. 24, 1751; died Jan. 13, 1772.

Nathaniel Paddock, born Oct. 25, 1744; married Mary Crane (daughter of Col. Thaddeus), born Sept. 24, 1753. Children:

- 1. Abigail, b. Oct. 5, 1774.
- 2. Sarah, b. Sept. 2, 1776.
- 3. Eunice, b. Oct. 3. 1778.
- 4. Fannie, b. Aug. 26, 1780; d. Dec. 10, 1864.
- 5. Mary, b. Aug. 17, 1782.
- 6. Thankful, b. Sept. 24, 1784.
- 7. Ruhannah, b. Oct. 29, 1786.
- 8. Elizabeth, b. Nov. 15, 1788.
- 9. Silas, b. Nov. 15, 1791.
- 10. Margaret, b. April 15, 1793.
- 11. Bethia, b. June 8, 1795.
- 12. Lydia, b. June 10, 1797.

Copied from Bible of Fannie Paddock Curtis.

CHAPTER IV.

BACKUS.

WILLIAM BACKUS, from Norwich, Eng., was living at Saybrook as early as 1637; married, first, Sarah Charles, daughter of John of Branford, Conn.; married, second, Anne Bingham (widow of Thomas,) about 1660. Anne died 1670. Wm. Backus died 1664.

(From "Old Houses of the Ancient Town of Norwich, 1660-1800." Page 414.)

Children by his first wife, Sarah:

- 1. William, d. about 1721; m. Elizabeth Pratt.
- 2. Stephen, m. Sarah Spencer.
- 3. Sarah, m. John Reynolds.
- 4. Mary, m. Benj. Crane, 1655.
- 5. Daughter, m. John Bayley.

William Backus was first Englishman and second person to die in Saybrook.

CHAPTER V.

ANDREWS.

FRANCIS ANDREWS purchased before 1640 north part of the Richard Butler's lot, on corner of Elm and Trinity Streets, Hartford. Removed to Fairfield, where he died in 1662-3. His will, dated June 6, 1662, proved March, 1663, in which he is called Francis Andrews of Bankside, (near Fairfield). A portion of his will has been destroyed by fire; mentions wife and children—Thomas, John, Jeremiah, Abraham, Elizabeth, Mary, Hester, Rebecca, Ruth and John Cranton (with my daughter Hannah), three rods of land next to his house, etc., and I give to his daughter, Hannah, ten shillings. (The Memorial History of Hadfield.)

I.—FRANCIS ANDREWS, married Anne.

II.—MARY ANDREWS, married Captain Samuel Couch. (See first Vol.)

III.—MARY COUCH, married Joseph Crane.

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CHAPTER VI.

CANFIELD.

- I.—SERGT. THOMAS CANFIELD, Sergt. of Train Band, 1669; representative to General Court, 1674-6, etc.; married Phebe Crane, of Wethersfield. Children:
 - 1. Sarah, bapt. March 9, 1656; m. Josiah Platt Dec. 2, 1669, in Milford,
 - Phebe, bapt. March 9, 1656; m. Jan. 23, 1672-3, at Milford; d. May 3, 1730, at Milford. Married John Smith.
 - 3. Mary, b. Jan. 1, 1656–7, at Milford; single at 1690.
 - 4. Elizabeth, b. Feb. 14, 1659–60; m. Theophitius Baldwin, Feb. 8, 1682–3.
 - Thomas, b. Oct. 14, 1654, at Milford; d. Aug., 1689; m. Rebecca Atkinson, Feb. 26, 1679, in Milford.
 - Jeremiah, bapt. Sept. 28, 1662; d. March 18, 1739-40, at New Milford; m. Alice Hine about 1687; Alice died Jan. 4, 1739-40.
 - 7. Abigail, bapt. Dec. 3, 1665, in Milford.
 - 8. Hannah, b. Nov. 20, 1667, in Milford.
 - 9. Mehetabel, b. July 2, 1671; m. Stephen Pierson, Jr., Oct. 12, 1697; lived in Derby, Conn.

CHAPTER VII.

CRANE.

Hartford Probate Rec. Vol. 5, p. 165. Inventory of the estate of Benjamin Crane, May 31, 1691, widow ———. Children named (just as written on records):

- 1. Benjamin Crane.
- 2. JONATHAN Crane.
- 3. Joseph Crane.
- 4. Jo---- Crane.
- 5. Abram Crane.
- 6. Jacob Crane.
- 7. Israel Crane.
- 8. Elisabt. Crane.
- 9. Mary Crane.

Benjamin Crane married, 1655, Mary Backus, (daughter of Wm. Backus) of Norwich, later of Saybrook.

PHEBE CRANE married before 1650; died, 1690. Phebe married Sergt. Thomas Canfield, and is called of Wethersfield, and is probably daughter of John Crane of Brookline (who is called the father of Benjamin and Henry of Wethersfield). The name Phebe is handed down in both Benjamin and Henry's families. Both Crane Genealogy and Canfield Genealogies call her from Wethersfield. "Canfield Genealogy."

JONATHAN CRANE'S TOMBSTONE

In the Cemetery of Lebanon, Conn.

"Here lies Mr. Jonathan Crane (husband of Deborah Crane), who lived a pious, Godly life and left ye earth for Heaven, March ye 12th, Ano. D. 1735, in ye 77th year of his age.

Be Ye Holy."

LINES ON THE DEATH OF A FATHER-BY A DAUGHTER.

(Weltham Crane on the death of Col. Thaddeus Crane.)

- On the pinion of Fancy, o'ercome with emotion, I come to the grave where my father was laid;
- I kneeled o'er the relic with silent devotion And thus the sad tribute of sorrow I paid.
- "Dear spot," I exclaimed; "Thou hast long been neglected," "Tis long since my footsteps conducted me here;"

"'Tis long since this heart tho' so sad and dejected," "Could pour o'er the sod an affectionate tear."

Blest shade! I remember his care and affection Ere with him Life's Pilgrimage came to a close,

And oft do I dwell on the dear recollection, Tho' nothing can break now his silent repose.

Having faithfully filled a responsible station, Of husband, of father, of Christian and friend,

We saw him at last with composed resignation, Unshaken by tears, Death's summons attend.

At the end of his pilgrimage here we conveyed him, Consigned to his narrow mansion of gloom,

Where a tribute of filial affection was paid him, By raising a monument over his tomb.

May the blessings of heaven still follow without number, On him who this tribute of gratitude paid,

And till the last trump shall wake every slumber, May it mark the sad spot where a parent is laid.

He oft, when in health, in the warmth of affection 'Round the altar of sacred devotion would bend,

And pray that the God who had been his protection Would still on his children in mercy attend.

- Tho' twenty-three annual winters have ended, Since he was released from his prison of clay,
- His body to this narrow mansion descended, And angels escorted his spirit away.
- Yet, brothers and sisters, we must not forget him, Tho' years in succession must still roll away,
- His worth and affection will make us respect him,

Till we in our turn Death's summons obey.

Then let us remember the precepts he taught us, And follow the pious example he's given;

Let us humbly rely on the Saviour who bought us, And pray that our spirits may meet him in heaven.

WELTHAN.

FANNY CROSBY.

(The Blind Poetess.)

Frances J. Crosby, (Mrs. Van Allstyne), the blind Poetess, was grand daughter of *Mary Crane*, and Nathaniel Paddock, and great grand daughter of Col. Thaddeus Crane and Sarah Paddock.

1. Col. Thaddeus Crane, married Sarah Paddock.

2. Nathaniel Paddock, married Mary Crane.

3. Paddock married —— Crosby.

4. Frances J. Crosby, married Van Allstyne. (The blind pet poetess.)

Mary Crane was sister of Sarah Crane who married Abram Smith.

FANNY J. CROSBY

(A noted Hymn Writer).

Almost every reader who attended Sunday School between 1860 and 1870, will remember how often he saw the words or music credited to Fannie Crosby. Many of her pieces, then popular, have since given place to others, but her name is still a familiar one in the song books. Well, Fanny Crosby still lives in New York City and her name is Mrs. Van Allstyne. She has been blind from childhood and so has her husband, but both have enjoyed life and shown far more cheerfulness than many people with good eyes. The couple first met at a home for the blind, where both were pupils, and were married there in 1858. She is now sixty-two years old, and it is claimed that she has written more Sunday School hymns than any other ten writers. Her full maiden name was Frances Jane Crosby, but she still prefers to be called Fannie. When fifteen years old, and assured that she would never see in this world, she wrote these lines :

> "Oh, what a happy soul I am! Although I cannot see,

I am resolved that in this world Contented I will be."

"How many blessings I enjoy, That other people don't! When to weep or sigh because I'm blind, I cannot and I won't."

She has lived in the spirit of her childish lines and been among the most cheerful of women. A recent visitor expressed surprise at her gaiety, saying: "You actually seem to be glad that you are blind." "Yes," Miss Crosby replied, "I would not change if I could, for I feel this is best for me. Why, if I had not been blind, I should never have had so good an education, nor known so many beautiful things by heart." She taught school when quite young and acquired knowledge with astonishing rapidity. She has committed most of the New Testament to memory and several books of the Old. She is also a very accomplished musician, especially upon the guitar, and generally used that instrument when composing the music to her hymns. Her earliest productions, however, were not strictly religious, and among them are still such popular favorites as "Hazel Dell," "Rosalie, the Prairie Flower," "Proud World, Goodbye," "I'm Going Home," Honeysuckle Glen" and "There's Music in the Air." Some of her cantatas are "Flower Queen" and the "Pilgrim Fathers."

In 1848, 1849 and 1858, volumes of her poetry were published. She wrote a poem on the death of Henry Clay's son in Mexico which greatly touched that statesman, and when he visited the school for the blind where she was teacher, he spoke of it with great feeling.

She wrote her first distinctly religious poetry at the request of Wm. B. Bradbury, the famous composer of sacred music, and has since composed over three thousand hymns.

The one which brought her most fame, composed in 1868, is "Safe in the Arms of Jesus." "Rescue the Perishing" is another popular favorite. Mrs. Van Allstyne is in good health, and to all who know her is still the cheerful and warm-hearted Fannie Crosby.

The above is copied from a clipping I have had for several years. I should say not less than ten—still I do not know the date. Am sorry I cannot tell you, as that would give you her age at present writing. Since writing the above I have searched my book-case and found another clipping, which I will partially copy—much is just the same as the one I have copied. I dated it with pencil 1893. That would make Mrs. Van Allstyne now 67.

She taught school and was very apt. It was after this that she turned her hand to song-writing. She wrote words for many of the songs of Geo. F. Root, the well-known composer. While a teacher at the Home Miss Crosby met Henry Clay, Presidents Tyler and Van Buren, Gen. Winfield Scott, and Gov. Seward. Of Henry Clay's visit she cherished this little story with delight. She tells it in her simple manner:

"Mr. Clay came to the institution during his last visit to New York, and it had been arranged that I should welcome him by reciting a poem, not one ready-made, mind you, but original. Six months previously Clay's son had been killed in one of the battles of the Mexican war. Upon that event I had written some verses and forwarded them to him. Now, in my poem of address, I carefully avoided any allusion to them, in order not to give him unneccssary pain. When I had finished, he drew my arm through his and said, through his tears, to the assemblage:

"This is not the first poem for which I am indebted to this lady. Six months ago she sent me some lines on the death of my dear boy." 'I was greatly overcome; so was Mr. Clay."

Miss Crosby had the honor of being the first woman to speak in the Senate Chamber. She read a poem at the request of the senators. In 1844 a volume of verses called the "Blind Girl and Other Poems" was published with a portrait of the writer. In 1849 "Monterey and Other Poems." and in 1858 "A Wreath of Columbia Flowers" followed.

It was in 1864, upon the advice of Wm. B. Bradbury, the famous composer of sacred music, that she wrote her first hymn. It began thus:

"We are going, we are going, To a home beyond the skies,"

Since that time she has composed over three thousand hymns. The hymn that brought her most fame is "Safe in the Arms of Jesus." It was composed in 1868. It is her favorite. The same year she wrote, "Pass Me Not, O Gentle Saviour, Hear my humble Cry." Others of her hymns are, "Rescue the Perishing," "Jesus Keep Me Near the Cross," and "Keep My Way O Lord."

Miss Crosby has committed to heart extensive portions of the Bible, among them four books of the Pentateuch and the four gospels. Her mind is also a storehouse for quantities of the best poetry of the best authors. Miss Crosby is a performer on the guitar, and so proficient is she that she has composed tunes for more than a few of her hymns. She occupies herself with various kinds of handiwork. She is a bright companion and at all times cheerful.

You, of course, will observe that I have repeated just a little that I copied from the first piece in the record; the

wording was somewhat different in many instances, but I did not want you to lose a single fact that either piece contained, hence I copied verbatim.

You will find many of her hymns in the Sankey Song Books, also in Pentecostal Hymnal. In the Methodist Song Collection, her songs have belted the globe. I am quite sure I have another clipping somewhere that tells she was born in Southeast Putnam County, New York, and at the age of two or three years had an attack of scarlet fever (I think it was) that left her blind.

I think you will find many people in the West who are very familiar with the words of the hymns mentioned above, as you surely will recognize them all yourself and will be glad and proud to know that the writer was a second cousin of your mother's.

Taken from a letter from Miss Carrie M. Crane.

CORRECTIONS, VOL. 1st,

OF

CRANE, GRISWOLD, PADDOCK, HOWES, SMITH AND RUSSELL RECORDS.

Page 12. Should read, "His sword at Granite Hall,' the home of his grand son, Thaddeus Crane, Somers, N. Y.

Page 12. "The old Crane home is at North Salem, N. Y;" not at Somers, N. Y.

Page 13. Should read, "The War of the Revolution, April, 1775, to December, 1783."

Page 13. Thaddeus married, second, "Martha" Titus, not *Mary*.

Page 13. Fanny married Eli Ganung, not Gaunsley.

Page 14. Gerard Crane died Feb. 11, 1872, at Somers, N. Y., not Weltham.

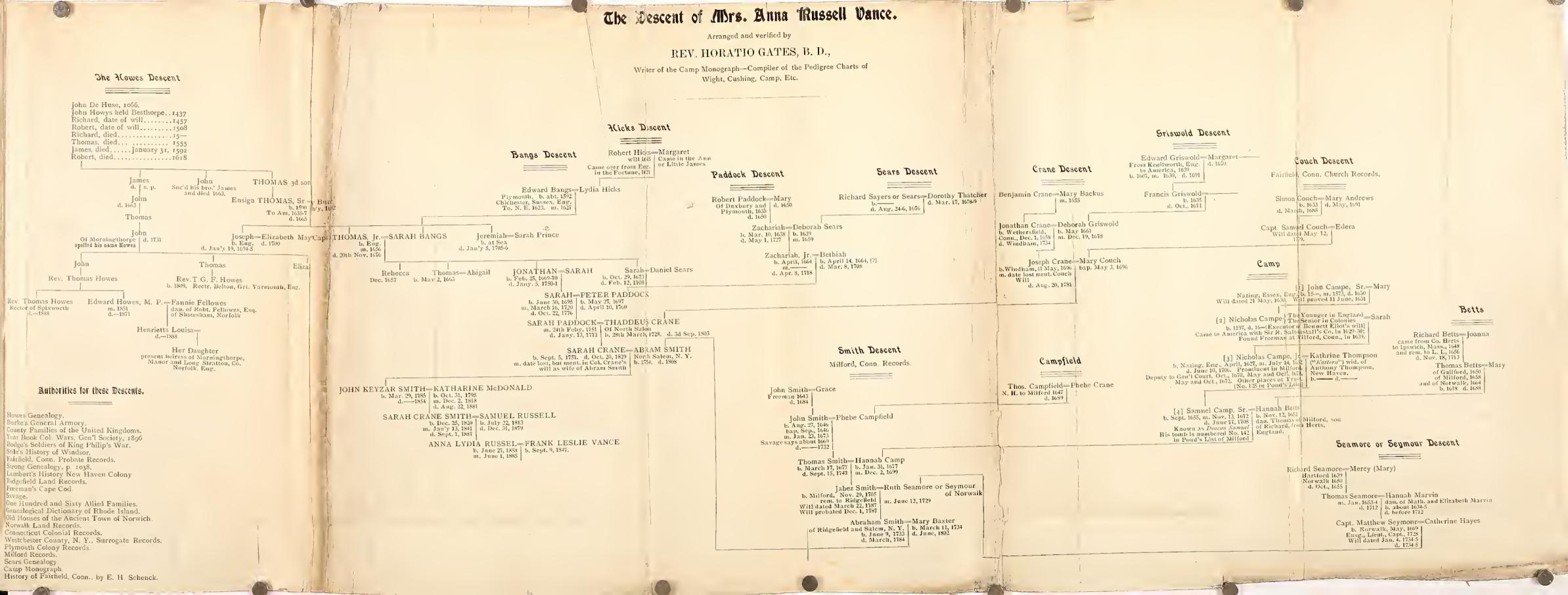
Page 14. Period after *members*, and *Thomas* was buried at Waynsborough, N. C.

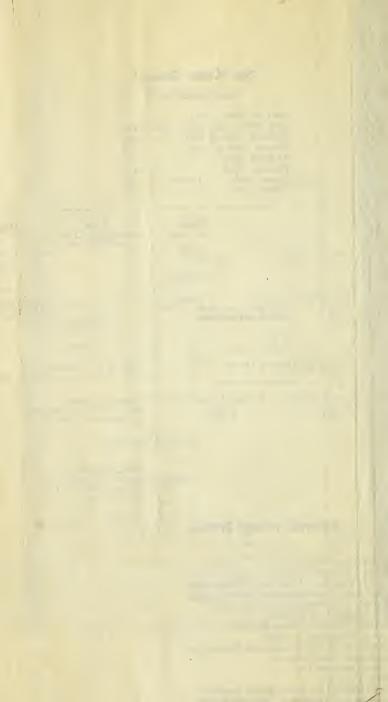
Page. 29. Campfield should be spelled Canfield.

Page 35. For Eliza Cordelia Saeger, read Eliza Cordelia Seager.

Page 35. For Fred. C. Latta, read Frederic Latta.

Page 41. For Margaret Wilson Vance, read Jane Wilson Vance.







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